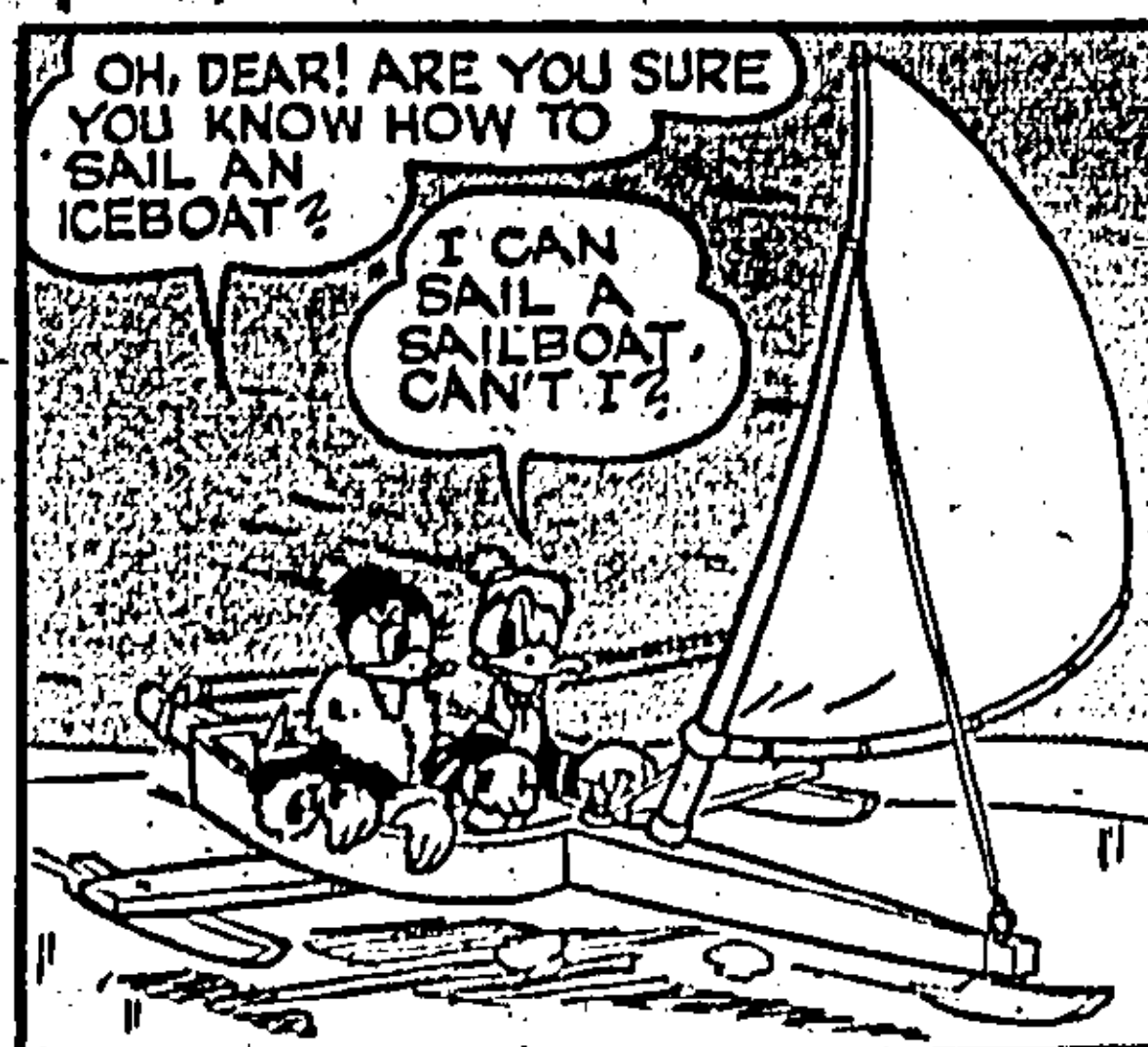




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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued Saturday, says: To-day's market was quiet with little business recorded.

Buyers

Union Ins. \$412.50
H.K. Fire Ins. \$170
Lands 4% Debentures \$97.50
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H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan (1934) 95
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H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 97
Providents \$5.75

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that the following increases in the Company's standard charges will be made for current consumed in respect of accounts issued for meters read on and after 21st March, 1941:—

1. For Lighting from 15 cents to 16 cents per unit.
2. For Power and Heating from 5 cents to 5 1/2 cents per unit.
3. The discount of 10% on Power accounts in excess of 1,000 units per month will be discontinued.

By order of the Board of Directors,

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THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of this Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, the 8th March, 1941, at 2.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 1st March, 1941, to Saturday, 8th March, 1941, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 20th February, 1941.

HONG KONG WAR EFFORT COMMITTEE

MONSTER RAFFLE, 1941

RULES

1. The sale of tickets in the raffle will cease on a date to be advertised in the Press.
2. Counterfoils of every ticket sold must be in the custody of the supervisors before the draw. Any ticket sold for which no corresponding counterfoil has been returned to the supervisors will not be included in the draw.
3. A ticket is entitled to one prize only. Any number, having drawn a prize, will be deemed cancelled for the remainder of the draw.
4. Prizes will be delivered to the person who produces the requisite winning ticket. No right to a prize can be recognised except the right conferred by the production of the requisite ticket.
5. Winning tickets must be produced and endorsed by the holder before delivery of prize can be made. Mutilated tickets—that is, if distinctive number and chop are not clearly discernible—will not be accepted.
6. Winning tickets not presented within Three Months of the draw will be considered null and void, and all unclaimed prizes will revert to the donors and/or the Hong Kong War Effort Committee after the above period of Three Months has elapsed.
7. Any misunderstanding or dispute must be referred to the Hong Kong War Effort Committee, whose decision shall be final.

By Order of the Committee,
Linstead & Davis,
Supervisors,
Hong Kong, 1st March, 1941.

G. R.

NOTICE

USE IN EMERGENCY OF PRIVATE MOTOR CARS

Owners of private motor cars of makes listed below, and manufactured later than 1938, are required to appear personally at the Traffic Office, Central Police Station, between the hours of 9.30-12 noon or 2.30-4.00 p.m., Mondays to Fridays inclusive, before the 15th day of March, 1941, for the purpose of giving such information as the Controller of Land Transport may require under Regulation 73 of the Defence Regulations, 1941, in relation to the use of their cars in emergency.

Make	Horse Power
Austin	8
Austin	10
Hillman	10
Standard	8
Standard	9
Standard	10
Morris	8
Morris	10
Ford	8
Ford	10
Sunbeam-Talbot	10
Vauxhall	10

C. G. PERDUE,
Controller of Land Transport,
1st March, 1941.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on FRIDAY, the 28th day of March, 1941, at noon, in the BOARD ROOM of the Company, SECOND FLOOR, EXCHANGE BUILDING, HONG KONG, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the financial year ended 31st December, 1940, and re-electing two Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 14th March to the 28th March, 1941, both days inclusive.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1941.
By Order of the Board,
J. P. SHERK,
Managing Director,
14, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong.

NOTICE

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

South China Morning Post	China and Macao	16 cents per copy
British Empire and Foreign		25 cents per copy
The Hongkong Telegraph	China and Macao	14 cents per copy
	China and Macao	16 cents Saturdays
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London, Mar. 2.

The death occurred to-day of the noted Quaker archaeologist and orientalist, Dr Rendel Harris.—*Reuter.*

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Hongkong	Peking	Yokohama

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for One Year or shorter periods in Local or Other Currencies at rates which will be quoted on application.

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS also opened in Local Currency and Sterling with interest allowed at rates obtainable on application. The Bank's Head Office in London undertakes Executor & Trustee business and claims recovery of British Income Tax overpaid on terms which may be ascertained at any of its Agencies and Branches.

W. H. EVANS THOMAS,
Manager.

COMPANY REPORT

Bank Of East Asia

The twenty-second ordinary yearly meeting of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., will be held at the Company's registered office, 10, Des Voeux Road Central, on March 8.

The Directors submit the following report for the year ended December 31, 1940:

The profit for the year, including the amount brought forward from last year, and after paying all expenses and charges and providing for all bad and doubtful debts and other contingencies amounts to HK\$503,870.00, which the Directors propose to deal with as follows:

To pay a Dividend of 36 per share on 5,000 shares	HK\$1,800,000.00
To transfer to Reserve	150,000.00
To transfer to War Tax	30,000.55
To pay a bonus to the staff	22,034.34
To carry forward	395,221.17
	HK\$2,337,335.06

The Directors have to record with deep regret the death of Mr Kan Ying-po, which took place on July 11, 1940.

In accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, Messrs Li Lan-sang and Fung Ping-wah retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, who retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Communist Editor Expelled

Clarence A. Hathaway, former editor of "The Daily Worker," was expelled from the American Communist Party recently.

The expulsion was based on an article of the party constitution, "for failure to meet personal and political responsibility assumed by him, for desertion and for failing and refusing to take steps to rehabilitate himself."

Libel Suit

Hathaway was sentenced last June to 30 days in the workhouse and a \$500 fine after his conviction of criminal libel in a suit brought by Mrs Edith Liggett.

Mrs Liggett charged that Hathaway had libelled herself and the memory of her husband, crusading Minneapolis publisher, who was murdered in December, 1935. Mrs Liggett referred to an article published in "The Daily Worker" in February, 1936. She alleged the libel consisted of saying that her husband had blackmailed labour through his newspaper.

RADIO

ZBW, 355 metres (845 k.c.) and 31.45 metres (9,520 kilo-cycles)

RACHMANINOFF SUITE FOR TWO PIANOS

Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c., and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 8-11 p.m. on 9.52 m.c. per second.

H.K.T.

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Compositions of Rachmaninoff.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Sea Shanties.

1.13 Band Music.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music by Billy Cotton & His Band.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Compositions of Wagner.

"The Flying Dutchman"—Overture, Bruno Walter conducting the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, Cooling Relief The Water Has Wrought (from "The Valkyrie"), Lehmann (Soprano) and Melchior (Tenor) and The Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, The Spinning Song (from "The Flying Dutchman"), Eileen Joyce (Piano), "You Must Tended an Ill-fated One (from "The Valkyrie"), Lehmann (Soprano) and Melchior (Tenor) and The Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, "Lohengrin"—Introduction, Bruno Walter conducting the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Working Together."

7.30 Variety.

7.40 Variety—Talk by Mrs N. L. Smith on the Chinese Y.W.C.A.

7.45 Variety continued.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report, and Announcements.

8.03 This week's programmes.

8.07 Quentin Maclean at the Organ, Babbling (Quentin Maclean), China Doll Parade (Zamecnik).

8.15 London Relay—"H. Gang."

9.0 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

9.30 Dance Music by Jack Harris & His Orchestra.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.0 London Relay—News from Home by Howard Marshall.

10.15 Variety.

11.0 Close down.

Former Governor's New Post

Chairman Of Service Appeal Tribunal

Sir (Reginald) Edward Stubbs has been appointed Chairman of the Northern Appellate Tribunal for Conscription Objectors in succession to the late Sir Philip J. Macdonell. The tribunal recently resumed its sittings—suspended towards the end of last year through the death of Sir Philip—at the Central Library, Manchester.

Sir Edward retired in 1937 after a distinguished career in the Colonial Service. He was born in 1870, the youngest son of the late Dr William Stubbs, Bishop of Oxford, and on leaving Corpus Christi College, Oxford, entered the Colonial Office. He was engaged on a special mission to the Malay Peninsula and Hongkong in the years 1910-11, after which he held many responsible colonial appointments, including those of Governor of Hongkong from 1919 to 1925, Captain General and Governor-in-Chief of Jamaica, 1926-32; Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Cyprus, 1932-3; and Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Ceylon 1933-7. During part of this time his predecessor in the chairmanship of the Appellate Tribunal, Sir Philip Macdonell, was Chief Justice of Ceylon, a position from which he retired in 1935. In 1938 Sir Edward was Vice-Chairman of the Royal Commission on the West Indies. His home is at Waterbury, Kent.

GOVERNOR TO REST

At the request of his medical advisers His Excellency the Acting Governor has cancelled all engagements until Wednesday, March 6 inclusive. An announcement regarding his engagements during the rest of the week ending on March 8 will be issued in due course.

Japanese Army

Changes

Hata New C-in-C. In China

Tokyo, March 1. Informed quarters point out that the current critical world situation "entailing consolidation of Japan's leading position in East Asia, is reflected in the regular Army personnel changes which were announced by the War Office to-day.

In making new appointments, the War Minister, Lieut-General Hideo Tojo, according to informed quarters, is credited with a desire to strengthen the military command and tighten the unity of the Army.

The most conspicuous feature of the new appointments is that of General Shunroku Hata, Supreme War Councilor and former Minister of War, as Supreme Commander of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China, succeeding General Tetsuzo Nishio who has been nominated Supreme War Councilor.

Significance is also seen in the appointment of Lieutenant Major-General Yasumasa Kurihara as the new Commander of the War Office, replacing Lieutenant General Saburo Ishikawa who has been placed on the retired list, and also in that of Colonel Kenryo Satoh, former War Office spokesman, as Chief of the Military Affairs Section of the War Office, succeeding Colonel Sukekawa who has been appointed to an undisclosed key post.

Strengthening "Brain-Trust"

Observers understand that the personnel change in the Military Affairs Bureau, preceded by the replacement of Colonel Takao Iwamoto with Colonel Joichiro Sanada as Chief of the Bureau, is part of a plan to embody the War Minister's efforts to strengthen his "brain-trust" and the Army's Control Staff.

The following are other Army personnel changes and promotions: Lieutenant Prince Morihiro Higashikuni to be a Captain.

Lieut-General Kaneko Suetaka to be a Supreme War Councilor.

Lieut-General Noritomo Shimizu, A.D.C. to the Emperor, has been relieved of his post.

Major-General Tan Takahashi has been appointed Chief-of-Staff of the Korean Army while Major-General Jusel Aoki has been appointed Director of the Army School at Narashino.

Lieut-General Yasushi Sakai has been appointed Chief of Planning of the Army Ordnance Headquarters.

Major-General Takaji Wachi has been appointed Chief-of-Staff of the Formosa Army while Major-General Shinnosuke Sasa has been appointed Chief of Staff of the Western Army.

Major-General Michio Kunitake has been appointed Chief of General Affairs of the Army Ordnance Headquarters.

Gendarmier Colonels Shugo Sakai and Dogen Ishida have been appointed Commanders of the Gendarmier at Osaka and Taihoku, respectively.

New Phase of China Campaign

Unusual importance is attached to the appointment as Supreme Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China of General Hata. It is regarded by informed quarters as particularly suitable for dealing with the new phase of the China campaign consequent upon the recent strained international situation in view of his reputed talent in military administration as shown in his service as the War Minister in the Abe and the Yonal Cabinets.

General Nishio is credited with brilliant achievements in the conduct of the China campaign since his assumption of the field command in September, 1939. The biggest political achievement in China during the General's tenure of office was the establishment of the new National Government at Nanking in the spring of 1940 under the leadership of Mr Wang Ching-wei, which comprises various political regimes including the Provisional Government in North China and the Renovated Government in Central China, while the Sino-Japanese Basic Treaty laying the foundation for peace in China was concluded at Nanking on October 30, 1940—Domel.

MONSTER RAFFLE

Sales of tickets for the Monster Raffle in aid of the Bomber Fund opened briskly during the week-end at all selling centres. The Sunbeam Talbot motor car prize will be on view from to-day in Gloucester Arcade.

POST OFFICE

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended—Yunnan, Szechuen, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu), Kwangsi (except Wuchow and Yungshien), North and East of Kwangtung.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

Australia and Manila Mar. 3.
Straits and Air Mail by "British Overseas Airways" (except London) by Sea from Singapore Mar. 4.
Canton Mar. 4.
U.S.A. and Manila (San Francisco date 8th February) Mar. 5.
Swatow Mar. 5.
United-Kingdom and Manila, Mar. 7.
United-Kingdom and Straits Mar. 7.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 2nd March Mar. 9.
U.S.A. and Honolulu (San Francisco date 21st February) Mar. 11.
Sandakan Mar. 12.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar. 4

Air Mail by sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

K.P.O.

Reg. 2 p.m.

Ord. 2.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. 2 p.m.

Ord. 2.30 p.m.

Straits 3.30 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and United-Kingdom via San Francisco (No Parcels for United-Kingdom).

Note.—All Mails for United-Kingdom will be forwarded with or without superscription.

K.P.O.

Parcels Mar. 4, 4 p.m.

Reg. Mar. 4, 5 p.m.

Ord. Mar. 4, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Parcels Mar. 4, 4 p.m.

Reg. Mar. 4, 5 p.m.

Ord. Mar. 4, 5.30 p.m.

Canton 7 p.m.

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane.

K.P.O.

Parcels Mar. 4, 5 p.m.

Reg. Mar. 5, 8.45 a.m.

Ord. Mar. 5, 9.30 a.m.

G.P.O.

Parcels Mar. 4, 5 p.m.

Reg. Mar. 5, 8.45 a.m.

Ord. Mar. 5, 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 5

Holhow 8.30 a.m.

Manila, Batavia, Mauritius, Lourenco Marques, and South Africa via Durban 3.30 p.m.

Thursday, Mar. 6

Parcels Mar. 6, 11.00 a.m.

Letters Mar. 6, Noon.

Friday, Mar. 7

Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

K.P.O.

Reg. Mar. 7, 4 p.m.

Ord. Mar. 7, 4.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. Mar. 7, 4 p.m.

Ord. Mar. 7, 4.30 p.m.

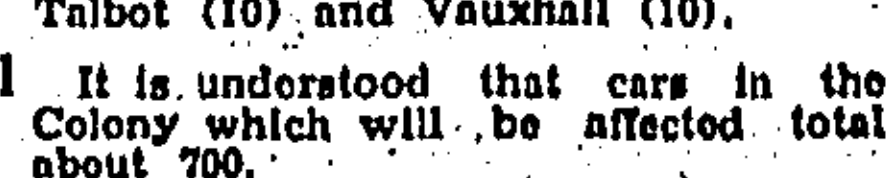
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan-American Airways" and Trans-Atlantic Services.

K.P.O.

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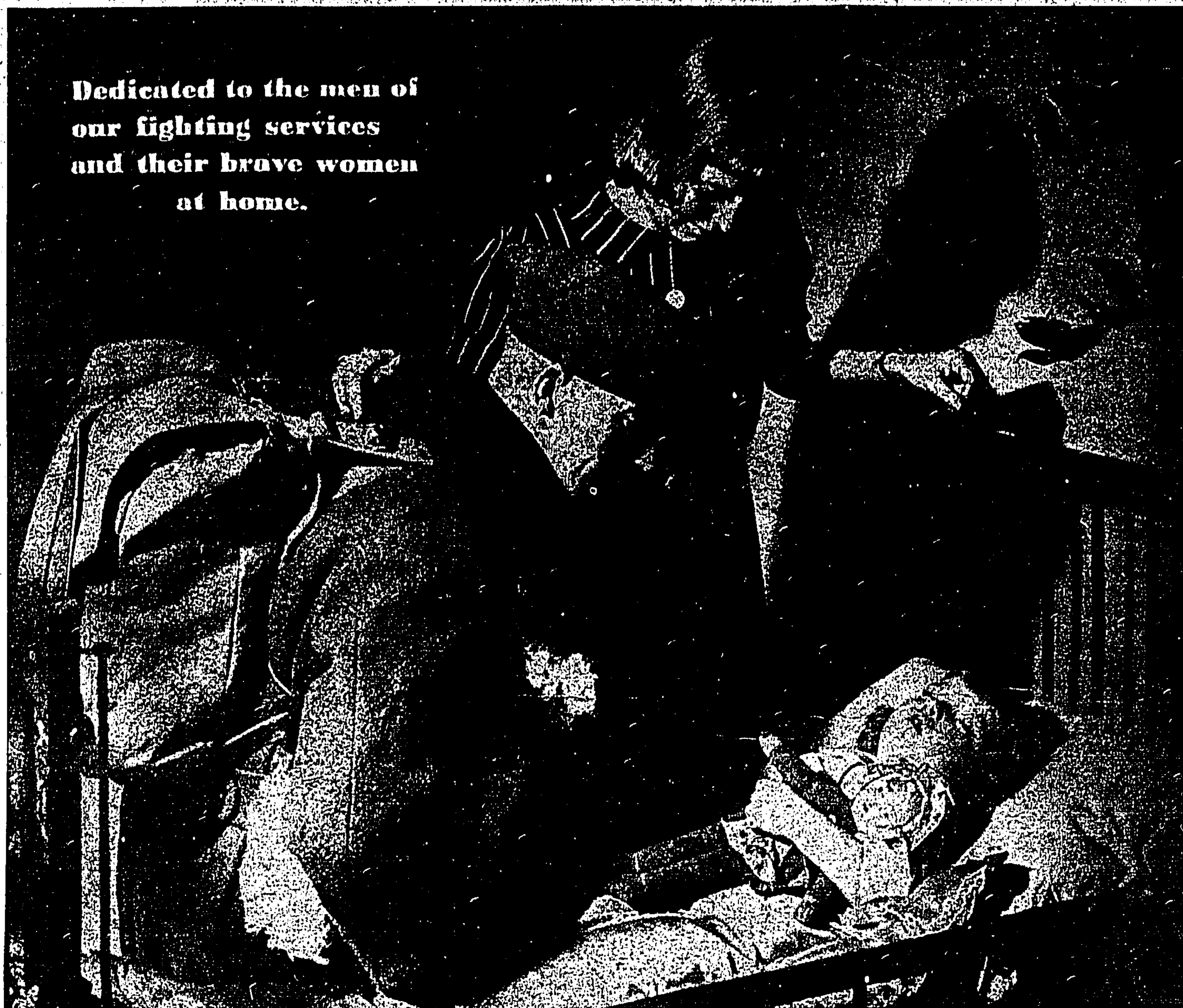
CINNAQUINT

"I volunteered for the Army; I not go navy. We write to each other wanted to get navy into a new life. every day. We'll meet again. Then, all of a sudden, I fell in love with a woman, and she fell in love with me."

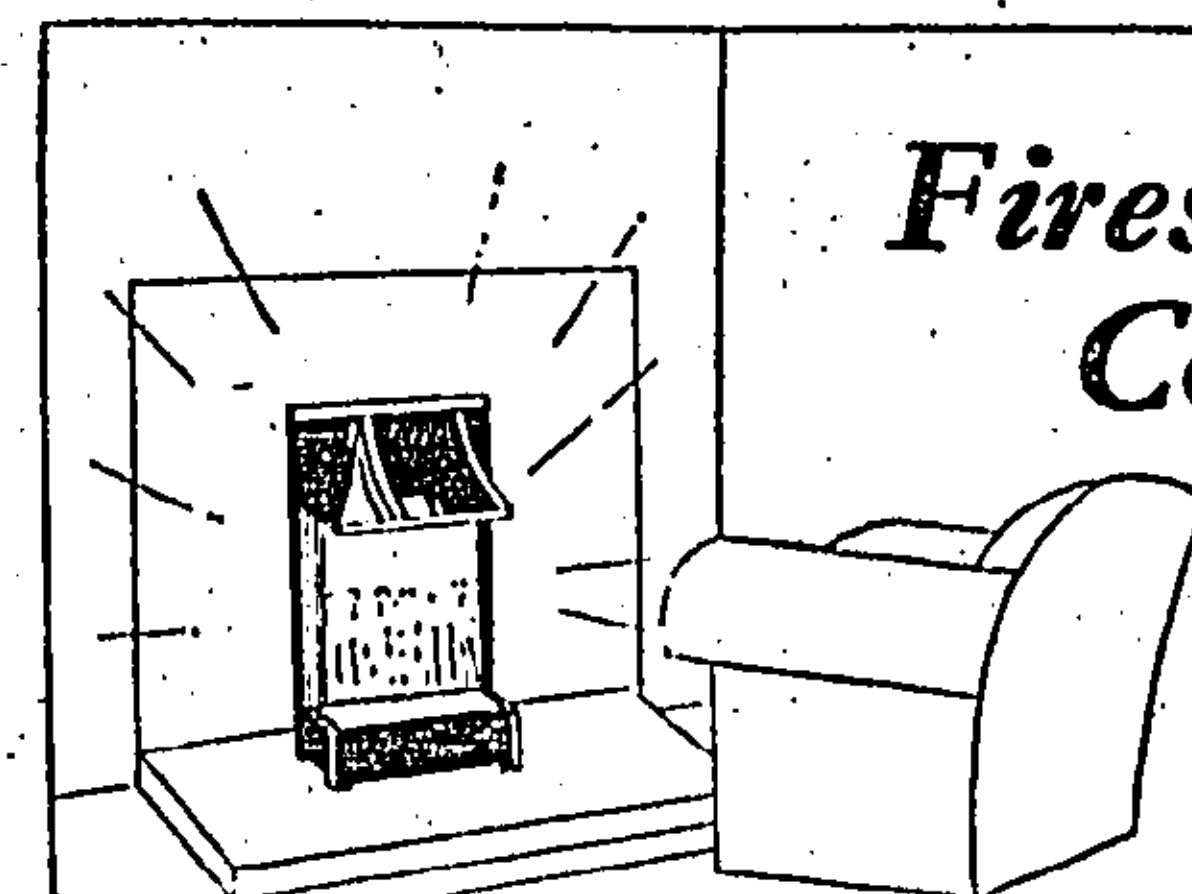
"It happened in forty-eight hours. I was one of those things two people wander through life on separate paths, without purpose as it seems. Then they meet, and the whole meaning of their lives becomes perfectly clear."

She laughed scornfully. There was quiet for a while; then she said, "It was a strange, sad kind of beginning to many beautiful things yet to come, by God's grace," said Old Silence.

"I don't think so," said the girl rudely, and, as the door was opened, she rushed for the door, and was gone.



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MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

South China Assume Leadership Army Beat Navy 12-8 In Royal Navy Trounced 4-1 At Causeway Bay Yesterday

(By "SCRAMBLER")

THEIR HESITANCY TO go for the ball and their weak and inaccurate passes throughout the game were the contributory factors that led to the Navy's 4-1 defeat by South China, when they met yesterday at Causeway Bay, in the Senior Division yesterday. Against a solid defence, Navy persisted in short tapping passes, which more often than not, were frustrated before they had time to become effective.

Deserved Victory

On the whole South China thoroughly deserved their win, for they played the better brand of football, often inveigling Navy's defence into a false position to bring off a coup. The two insidemen lent admirable aid both in defence and attack, for they adopted the "W" formation throughout, and because of the fact that Lee Wai-tong was given the most attention, both Chan Tak-fai and Chow Man-chi were given plenty of work to do in which to excel.

South China made good use of their wingers. The attack indulged in many intricate moves, and had the Navy defenders on the wrong foot whenever on the move. As stated, Navy paid far too much attention to Lee Wai-tong, with the result that most dangers emanated from the wingers, due to good approach work on the part of both Chan Tak-fai and Chow Man-chi. The latter was very prominent with his footwork. Both wingers were good, and did what were required of them.

In defence, the wing halves, Lau Hing-choy and Lau Chung-sang co-operated well with the backs, covering and positioning well. Lam Tak-po throughout played the role of a third back, since the two wing halves were backing him up. Between the three of them, they had the Navy attacks smothered.

Tam Prominent

The pair of backs tackled and cleared well, and because of the good work put in by their front men, they were not half as much overworked as their opposite pair. Tam Kwan-hon was in one of his merry moods, bringing off many daring saves, several of which looked like certainities.

The Navy team did not impress as a whole, being disjointed. As stated, they were far too loose in the attack, and coupled with the fact that they were unable to keep to their feet, they were never really dangerous.

The pair of backs, Roughley and O'Regan, were sound, but found that the short passing game of the Chinese which alternated with the long passing methods adopted later in the game was too much for them. Giff was not so very safe, and his handling of the ball on many occasions revealed that he lacks the qualities of his predecessor.

Hazard's Policy

Hazard played a tireless game in the key-post, but his policy of

shadowing Lee Wai-tong afforded the Chinese inside forwards far too much room to move about. At times he played the third back, and despite the close attention paid to Lee Wai-tong, the latter scored the best goal of the match with a left footed drive.

The wing halves were unable to come with the feet of the Chinese wingers. Paul had a better command over Lee Shek-yau than did Hawkins over Lee Tak-kee. Paul got rid of ball by kicking hard, whereas Hawkins held on to his short passing game. Because of Paul's first time clearances, Navy obtained the only goal scored by them.

In attack, Navy were way behind the Chinese, being slow when in possession, and allowed the Chinese to roll them before they had time to settle down. Barber was a great trier, but found little or no support from his men, even Hendy did not appear to be at all happy. Le Page worked hard, but the wingers were palpably weak, Skinner being the worse of two. On the whole, they were unable to move as a unit, although flashes of brilliance were seen from the individuals.

Even Play

Play opened very evenly as both keepers were visited in turn. Tam Kwan-hon saved from Hendy and at the other end, Giff cleared from Lee Shek-yau. Navy were unable to settle down due to the heavy condition of the ground, and were given a hard time by South China's forwards, who were playing more to their wingers.

In an attack on the Navy goal, Lee Wai-tong was bundled off the ball by Roughley in the area, and from the ensuing "spot-kick" he made no mistake. This reverse appeared to have a demoralising effect on the Navy lads, and they fell away completely, allowing South China to dominate play. Only the keen watch kept by Roughley, O'Regan and Hazard kept them from further scoring.

After a bout of midfield play, Tam saved from Le Page, and Lau Chung-sang sent the ball to Lee Shek-yau, who, evading the advancing Roughley, sent in a high shot which Giff failed to hold. Navy at this stage

Bad Weather Mars Week-end Softball Tilts

BAD WEATHER, which made conditions most unpleasant, considerably marred the week-end softball matches at the Kowloon Football Club. The rather cold and brisk wind had effect on fielding.

The major match of the day, St. Joseph's bullhorns against the youthful Cyclones, proved somewhat a walk-over for the Saints, for in the first, third and fourth innings they had tallied 2-3-3 (their total), and to this the Cyclones replied with a solitary tally in the fourth frame.

Canuckettes blanked out the Chung Hwa to win 11-0 while the Mohawks decimated the Filipinos 19-0.

Scores were:
Girls:
Canuckettes 11, Chung Hwa 0.
Ramblers 22, Las Florinas 9.

Major League:
St. Joseph 6, Cyclones 1.
Chinese 6, Canucks 2.
Mohawks 19, Filipinos 0.

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persisted in far too much short passing.

Second Half

After the change over, Barber went through on his own, but his parting shot which had Tam Kwan-hon beaten was stopped by Tsang Chung-wan. Again going into the attack, Anderson when well-placed shot behind, forcing a corner on the left. South China went further ahead when Chan Tak-fai headed neatly past Giff.

Following upon pressure by South China which was relieved by Lee Tak-kee sending behind, Hendy went through on his own, and his shot was nicely held by Tam Kwan-hon. Breaking away from an attack, Lee Tak-kee sent across a nice centre and Chow Man-chi deftly passed to Lee Wai-tong, who manoeuvred into position to send in a pile driver with his left foot that had Giff beaten all the way.

Thereafter, the Navy went into the attack, and many individual efforts were wasted by the players' inability to go through. However, after Tam Kwan-hon had saved repeatedly, Le Page sent in a slow shot that had the Chinese custodian beaten all the way, although Tsang Chung-wan made a desperate effort to save it.

NAVY: Giff, Roughley, O'Regan; Paul, Hazard, Hawkins; Anderson, Le Page, Hendy, Barber, Skinner.

SOUTH CHINA: Tam Kwan-hon; Tsang Chung-wan, Lee Kam-hung; Lau Hing-choy, Lam Tak-po, Lau Chung-sang; Lee Tak-kee, Chan Tak-fai, Lee Wai-tong, Chow Man-chi, Lee Shek-yau.

SPORTS ADVERT.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held, weather permitting, on Saturday, 15th March, 1941, (postponed from Saturday, 8th March, 1941) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 6th March, 1941.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

ALMOST A GOAL



Chan Tak-fai (South China) takes a snap shot at goal, but just wide. Giff (Navy) dived but was beaten.—Ming Yuen.

Excellent Times At La Salle College Sports

DESPITE bad weather, a large crowd of spectators were present at the running of the La Salle College annual athletic sports on the College ground on Saturday. Times were good, though the track was sodden and heavy. Three records were broken.

L. Silva took 13 seconds off the old record in the 1,500 metres for seniors by clocking 5 mins. 2 2/5 secs, and A. Sandberg who rode a fine race in the two miles bicycle event returned a time of 5 mins. 32 secs. to better the old record by 24 secs. Both Silva and Sandberg won their respective races with ease and in fine style. In the 800 metres for juniors E. Tavares took half a second off the previous record of 2 mins. 27 1/2 secs.

A. P. Silva won the Senior championship, J. R. Pereira the Junior championship and L. Sequeira was the Midget champion.

At the conclusion of Saturday's events, the prizes were presented by Bishop H. Valtorta.

Following were the results of Saturday's competitions:
Senior 100 metres (Challenge Cup presented by the Wing On Company).—A. P. Silva, 2. R. Henderson, 3. A. MacKeechnie. Time 12 2/5 secs.
Junior 100 metres.—J. R. Pereira, 1. J. Tampo, 2. A. Rodriguez. Time 13 4/5 secs.

Midget 100 metres.—L. Larcina, 2. L. Sequeira, 3. T. Omond.
Sub-Midget 100 metres.—L. Ruyters, 2. G. Gutierrez, 3. P. Remedios.

Senior 200 metres (Challenge Cup presented by the Portuguese Staff of the Hongkong Bank).—A. P. Silva, 2. J. MacKeechnie, 3. J. Gomes. Time 24 3/4 secs.

Junior 200 metres.—J. R. Pereira, 1. L. Tampo, 2. J. Xavier. Time 20 3/8 secs.

Midget 200 metres.—L. Larcina, 2. L. Sequeira, 3. G. Karkoff. Time 20 secs.
Sub-Midget 200 metres.—L. Ruyters, 2. F. Vas, 3. G. Gutierrez.

Junior football race.—1. Class 5B; 2. Class 4A; 3. Class 1D.
St. Joseph's College 200 metres.—1. R. Ho, 2. S. Silva, 3. J. Cheung. Time 23 secs.

Midget 400 metres.—L. Larcina, 2. G. Karkoff, 3. W. Silva. Time 1 min. 12 1/2 secs.

Junior 400 metres.—1. E. Tavares, 2. J. Xavier, 3. T. Tampo. Time 54 1/8 secs.
Midget 400 metres (Challenge Cup presented by Mr Wong Tat-yuen).—1. N. Castro, 2. J. Xavier, 3. L. Remedios.

Midget 800 metres.—1. L. Xavier, 2. A. Maltig, 3. H. Hussian.
Senior 800 metres (Challenge Cup presented by the Sincere Company).—1. J. Xavier, 2. N. Castro, 3. A. Sandberg. Time 3 mins. 30 secs.

Junior 800 metres.—1. E. Tavares, 2. Maxwell, 3. N. Xavier. Time 2 mins. 27 secs.

Old Boys' pillow fight.—1. F. Soares, Teachers' sack race.—1. S. T. Lim, 2. N. Y. Lim, 3. J. Chung.

Senior 1,500 metres (Challenge Cup presented by the Wing On Company).—1. L. Silva, 2. J. Xavier, 3. Lee Wing-cheuk. Time 5 mins. 5 2/5 secs. (Record).

Midget sack race.—1. J. Rocha, 2. A. Maltig, 3. J. Chung.

Sub-Midget sack race.—1. L. Xavier, 2. A. Maltig, 3. H. Hussian.
Kowloon Troop Scout race.—1. C. Abdullah (Senior); 1. Leung Kwok-cheng (Junior).

Midget Polo race.—1. F. Larcina; 2. G. Sequeira.
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WELSHMEN GATHER

Cocktail Party Given By St Patrick's

Welshmen gathered in force on Saturday evening at the Hongkong Club where St David's Society entertained a number of Servicemen and Merchant Service officers to a very successful cocktail party.

Mr. D. Morgan Richards, newly elected President of the Society, and Mrs. Richards and Committee members received guests in one of the larger reception rooms, which was belaguered while Committee members carried a large leek, the Welsh national emblem, over their left shoulder.

Among those present were Commodore A. C. Collinson, R.N., Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster (Attorney General), Mr. E. W. Davies (Crown Solicitor), Mr. and Mrs. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. H. Owen-Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard, Major C. Champkin, Mr. W. H. C. Thomas, an ex-President, Mr. E. Cock, Comdr. G. S. Millett, R.N., Mr. E. Lloyd-Jones, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lewis, Mr. T. J. Price, Sub-Lieut. E. R. Price, H.K.N.V.F., Rev. E. Sandbach, Lieut. (E) Blissett, R.N., Mr. G. G. Davies, Mr. C. F. Needham, Dr. Allen Thomas, Dr. T. W. Ware, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. M. Monks, Miss A. M. Whitley, Miss M. Carew, Mr. G. C. Davies, Mr. W. J. Curd.

Committee members present in addition to Mr. D. M. Richards were Mr. W. Anceurin Jones (Vice-President) and Mrs. Anceurin Jones, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. D. S. Jones, and Dr. Rhys Canadoc Jones.

Mr. Richards said that as President it gave him great pleasure to welcome the guests. He said that the Society had decided to hold a cocktail party instead of the usual dinner, the idea being to entertain as many of their Service friends as possible. It was hoped, he said, to contribute something towards the needs of the distressed in South Wales, who were suffering the more immediate needs of the war. (Applause). The usual cables had been sent to Singapore and Shanghai and one had been received from St David's Society in Shanghai.

Sir David Owen

Mr. Richards said that it must have come as a big disappointment to local Welshmen not to be able to entertain more distinguished countrymen, Sir David Owen, who was unable to accept their kind invitation as he was leaving for the United Kingdom. Mr. Richards said that he was sure all Welshmen were very glad to see their first President (Mr. J. Owen-Hughes) at their party (Applause). He reviewed the past season's activities, and paid a tribute to the energetic work of the Committee and particularly Mrs. Lewis. He said the Society had enabled a destitute Welshman to secure a passage to Singapore, where he had obtained a fairly good job. The Welshman in question had written to the local President from Singapore stating that he hoped in the very near future to repay the sum of money which had been provided as a gift. (Applause). The Society had given a donation of \$50 to the Hongkong Benevolent Society instead of laying the usual wreath. He felt sure that this would meet with the unanimous approval of all Welshmen. Mr. Richards finally asked everybody to rise and drink to the toast of "the Mother Country."

Among Servicemen present were Pte. J. Walters, Pte. W. R. Griffiths, Pte. R. Jones, Pte. G. Williams, Pte. P. Vyford, Gnr. H. Lucas, Gnr. D. J. Pratt, Gnr. Ivor Bevan, Gnr. S. E. Forman, Gnr. G. Butts, Gnr. J. McDermott, Pte. D. James, Pte. R. Toogood, Pte. L. Owens, Sgt. James, Pte. D. Pratt, Pte. Honywill, Yeoman S. E. Kellon, A.B. K. Chivers, Sig. W. G. Lewis, A.B. Powell, Cpl. J. E. Brown, R.M., A.B. T. Telfall, A.B. J. H. G. Davies, A.B. Addis, Mr. Wm. Graham and Mr. Hugh Roberts.

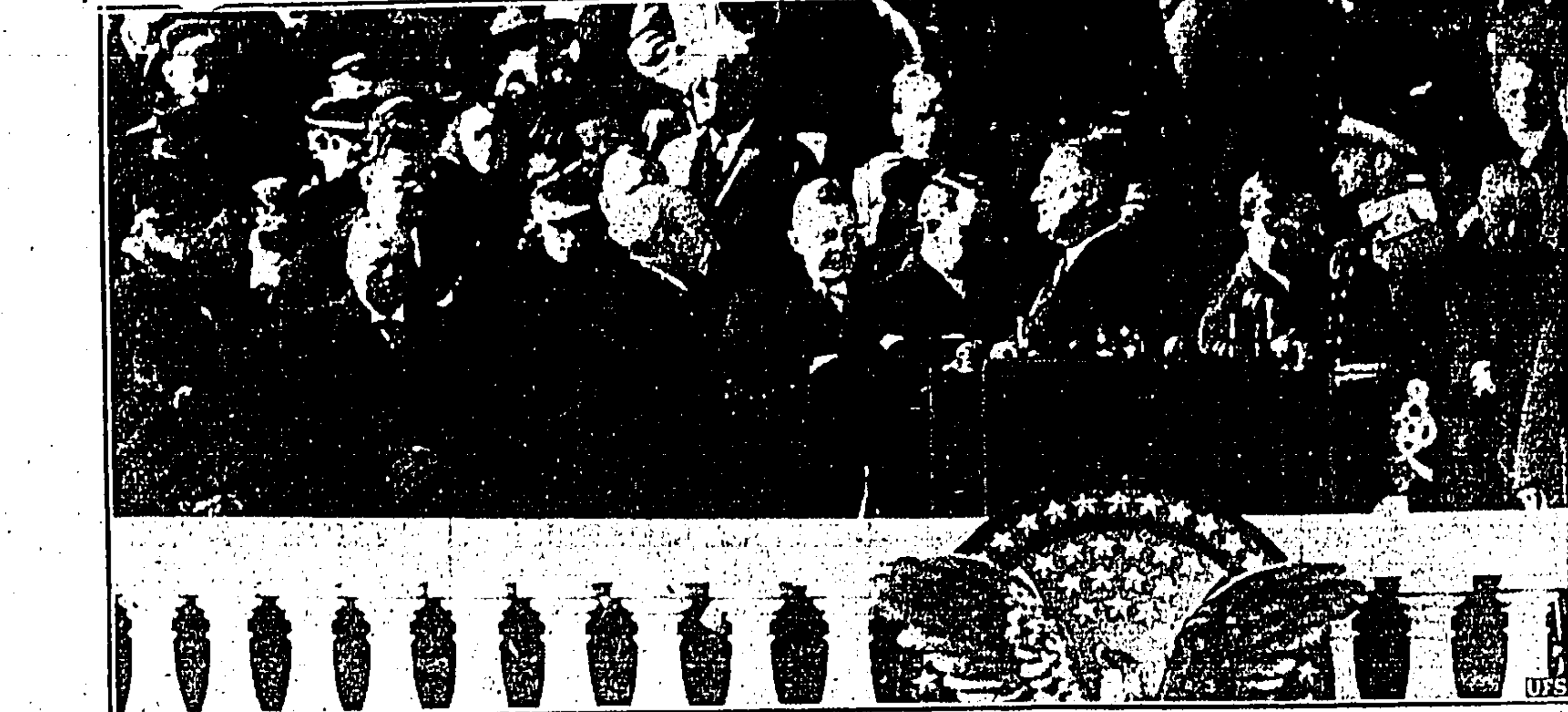
Shanghai Appeal For Economy

Shanghai, Mar. 2.

Warning that rationing of power supply may be necessary due to the shortage of coal deliveries, the Municipal Council to-day urged consumers of the Shanghai Power Company to economise on the use of power and assist in conserving stocks of fuel.

A serious view is held by Council and industrial quarters. It is believed that if the Company's petition for a 60 per cent. cut in the power supply is approved by the Council, industry and employment will suffer. The Council in a statement, says that unless relief is immediately forthcoming it will be necessary to ration supplies of electricity in a manner suitable to the urgency of the situation.

A special committee is studying the problem.—Reuter.



THIRD TIME PRESIDENT—Franklin Delano Roosevelt takes the oath for the third time as the United States' Chief Executive. The oath is administered by Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes. From left: Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, House Speaker Sam Rayburn, Chief Justice Hughes, Supreme Court Clerk Charles Elmore Cropley, Aide Thomas Qualters, the President, James Roosevelt, son of President, and State Secretary Cordell Hull, Dutch Bible, 300 years old, was used.

Jews Barred From Theatres

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

THE HAGUE, Feb. 10. (UP)—Jews have been banned from motion picture theatres throughout Holland on the ground that they have been responsible for recent disturbances in film houses, it was announced officially.

It was understood that the order was issued after German authorities had conferred with theatre owners. Many restaurants and cafes recently posted notices saying: "Jew Guests not Desired."

Douglas Fairbanks Jr. Plans Aid For Empire

Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., bound for Washington to attend the inaugural, paused in New York to announce that he is reorganising 200 West Coast units of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies.

He said: "Anyone who is not in favour of all-out aid to Britain either has not read 'Mein Kampf,' has read it and not understood it, or has read it and agreed with its principles."

Enthusiastic About Visit To China's Capital

"I had a very strenuous, but very enjoyable and very fascinating stay in China," said Mr. Lauchlin Currie, President Roosevelt's personal representative to China at a Press conference, held in the American Consulate-General in Hongkong on Saturday prior to his return to the United States by Clipper yesterday, with Mr. Emile Despres, economic research official.

Mr. Currie said he was bearing Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's personal greetings back to President Roosevelt. He added that he had been greatly impressed by the Generalissimo, whom he had met several times in Chungking. In the capital he spent nearly all his time studying memoranda, holding interviews and attending social functions. He drove and walked around the city which did not experience any air raid alarms during his visit.

Questioned regarding the official side of his work, Mr. Currie pointed out that he could not speak about his mission until he had made his report to President Roosevelt.

The only other city he visited at length was Chengtu, where, he said, he did even more sightseeing than in Chungking. In Chengtu he visited the Aviation School and watched a flying display by young Chinese pilots in training and also inspected the Military College. He spent most of his time with General Chang Chun, Chairman of Szechuan Province. He did not visit any actual battle fronts.

Mr. Currie, in reply to a question, said that he could not confirm the report that Mr. Wendell Willkie would visit China. He added that the newspaper report was the first he had heard of the matter.

During the three days he spent in Hongkong, before flying back to the United States, Mr. Currie said, he called on His Excellency the British Ambassador to China, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr and His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieut.-Gen. E. F. Norton, at Government House and Messdames Sun Yat-sen and H. H. Kung.

In Chungking he was entertained at a joint dinner given by the British and American Embassy staffs, at which the British Ambassador was present.

Among those present at the press conference on Saturday were Mr. Emile Despres, research official of the Economic Division of the U.S. Federal Reserve Board, Mr. Addison F. Southard, American Consul-General, and Mr. Hollington K. Tong, personal representative of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who accompanied Mr. Currie aboard the plane from Chungking to Hongkong.

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Capt. Batty-Smith Hurt In Fall

On the evening of February 20, Captain H. S. Batty-Smith, whilst on duty in the grounds of Government House, fell and sustained injuries which will necessitate his being in hospital for several days.

During his absence the duties of Aide-de-Camp will be performed by Mr. B. C. Fay of the Hongkong Police.

U.S. Ships Re-enter Atlantic Service

The United States Lines, which was forced to withdraw its American-flag vessels from the New York-United Kingdom trade when President Roosevelt issued his neutrality proclamation, will re-enter the service this month with five chartered Panamanian vessels, which will carry planes, munitions and other supplies to Great Britain.

The vessels are the Bakersfield, Egremont, Jacob Ruppert, West Campgaw and West Pocasset, which the United States Lines purchased from the U.S. Government's laid-up fleet for \$1,328,384 on January 23. Averaging twenty-years-of-age, the freighters are slightly under 6,000 gross tons each.

The Maritime Commission approved the United States Lines' application to sell the vessels to a subsidiary, the North American Transport Company, and to transfer the registry from the United States to Panama.

The new owners will bareboat charter the ships to the United States Lines, and the vessels will carry foreign officers and crews.

The five former American cargo ships have been undergoing reconditioning preparatory to entering the run.

Previous Opposition

Last year the State Department and Maritime Commission rejected the United States Lines application to transfer eight vessels from American to Panamanian registry when the neutrality act banned American ships from belligerent waters. Subsequently, eight ships were sold to a Belgian company; one, the President Roosevelt, went to the War Department for use as a transport, while the liners Manhattan and Washington joined the new flagship America in cruise service, out of New York.

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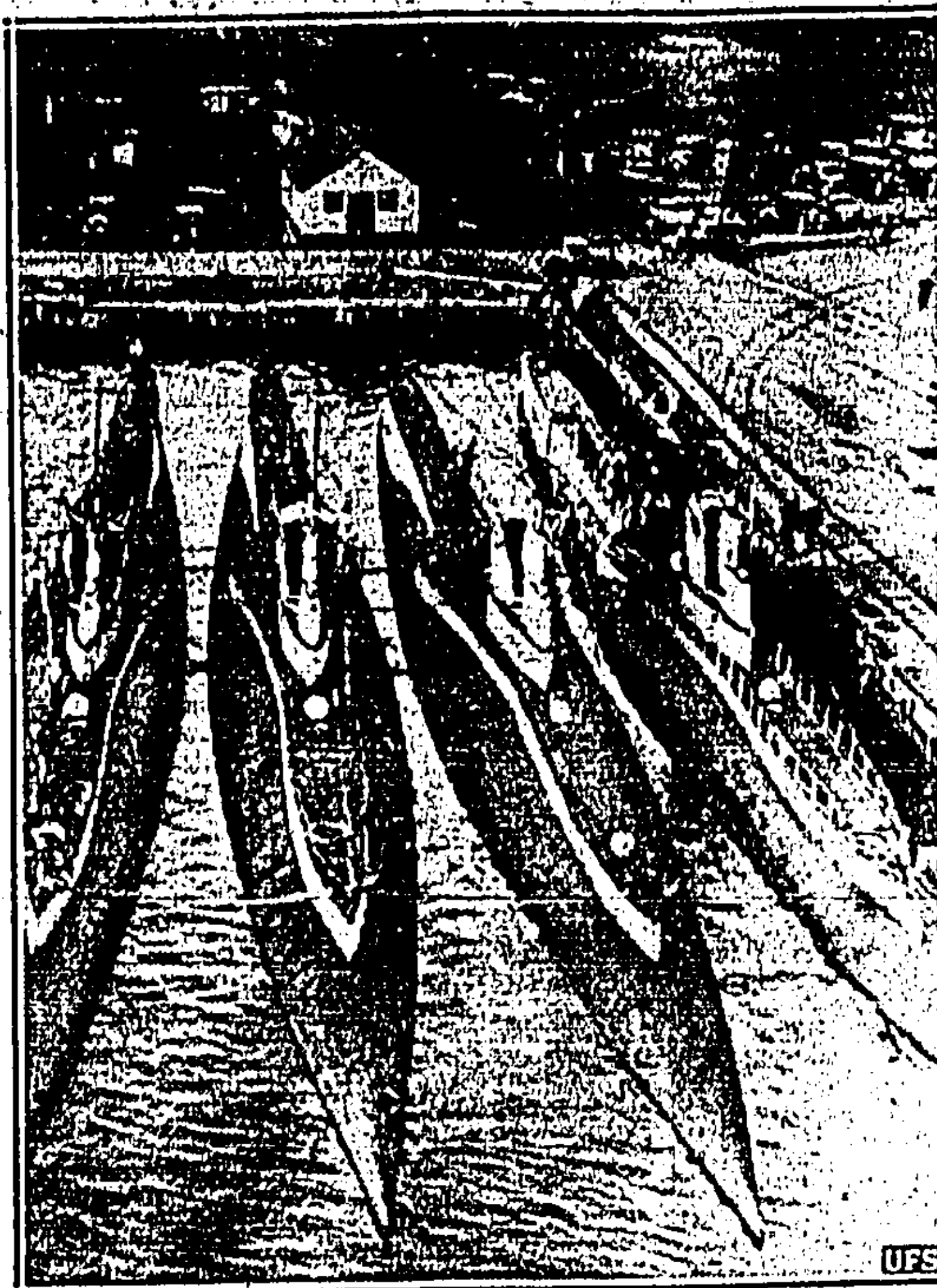
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STILL GOOD—These S-class submarines were laid up with others in Philadelphia Navy Yard, back in 1930. But there's still fight in them, so they're being reconditioned.

U-Boat Threat Not So Serious

FROM PAGE ONE

Last war when it was able to complete about only half the boats for which contracts were placed.

Necessary Deductions
At first glance that number appears formidable but the number available is not necessarily the number active in the front line. There are many deductions to be made. For example, the submarine school at Kiel needs several for training new crews.

It is probable that some 4,000 hands are undergoing intensive training and to give even a quarter of that number experience under way for a week, some 20 boats must be detached from the fighting fleet. That figure is no more than the actual total of the training boats attached to the school at the height of the 1917 campaign.

The whole number of craft available cannot be maintained at sea at the same time and practical experience shows that about one-third of the available craft can be on active service in any one week, one third resting and the other one third undergoing extensive repairs.

Indo-China To Cede Laos & Cambodia

FROM PAGE ONE

decision, and it will not be surprising to any observers here if the populations of the parts of the Protectorates involved in the transfer revolt against the Japanese.

Observers believe that Japan has leaned the balance greatly in Thailand's favour in order to gain a preponderant position in Bangkok from the gratitude of the Thais for this aggrandisement of the nation at almost no cost of lives or military effort and eventually to eliminate the British from favour in Thailand at a time when Singapore is menaced.

Another Ferry Pilot Lost

CAPTAIN H. J. HORSEY, one of the original pilots of Imperial Airways, who had flown 1,600,000 miles without a major accident, has died after crashing while "ferrying" a plane for Air Transport Auxiliary.

This is the organisation for taking planes from factory to airfield, and Army Johnson, who crashed into the sea, was a member.

Mrs Roosevelt Withdraws

Spanish Refugee Aid

Mrs Franklin D. Roosevelt has withdrawn her sponsorship of the American Rescue Ship Mission because "since giving my name I have found out that the committee is not under good auspices." The mission was organised to raise \$300,000 to bring Spanish refugees from France to Mexico.

The resignation of John Haynes Holmes, pastor of Community Church, preceded Mrs. Roosevelt's withdrawal from the organisation. He charged in his resignation that the Communist Party was in control of the group and was using it to further interests of the party and of the USSR. Both Dr. Holmes and Mrs. Roosevelt sponsored the mission at the request of Helen Keller, noted blind writer.

Mrs. Minnie Coleman, secretary of the Washington committee of the mission, said Mrs. Roosevelt withdrew on the grounds that other organisations performed the same services. She denied there was any Communist influence in the committee's leadership.

Bulgarian Decision Explained

FROM PAGE ONE

the Bulgarian Government, German troops have just crossed the Bulgarian frontier in order to protect Bulgaria from Britain's scheme to spread the war to the Balkans.

Hitters Telegram

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Hitler today sent a telegram to King Boris of Bulgaria, saying: "I beg Your Majesty to accept my most cordial wishes for your well-being and for the happy future of Bulgaria in this hour, in which Bulgaria has reaffirmed her attachment to Germany, Italy and Japan."

London Envoy Resigns

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—"Reuters" diplomatic correspondent learns that the Bulgarian Minister in London has telegraphically tendered his resignation to the Bulgarian Government.

Rendel Received

VICHY, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Dispatches received here from Sofia state that the British Minister to Bulgaria, Mr. George Rendel, was received by King Boris this afternoon and that the British military attache has left Bulgaria.

Ironical

SOFIA, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—While German troops continued to march across the frontier, Bulgaria today began celebrations of her National Independence Day which falls tomorrow.

Sofia is perfectly calm and its usual large crowds are strolling on the main streets in brilliant sunshine. All public buildings are hung with Bulgarian flags and there is little to remind the people of the momentous happenings behind the scenes except the occasional appearance of uniformed German troops.

Congratulations

TOKYO, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Congratulations on Bulgaria's accession to the Tripartite Pact have been sent by Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, to Herr von Ribbentrop (German Foreign Minister), Count Ciano (Italian Foreign Minister) and M. Popoff (Bulgarian Foreign Minister).

LATE NEWS

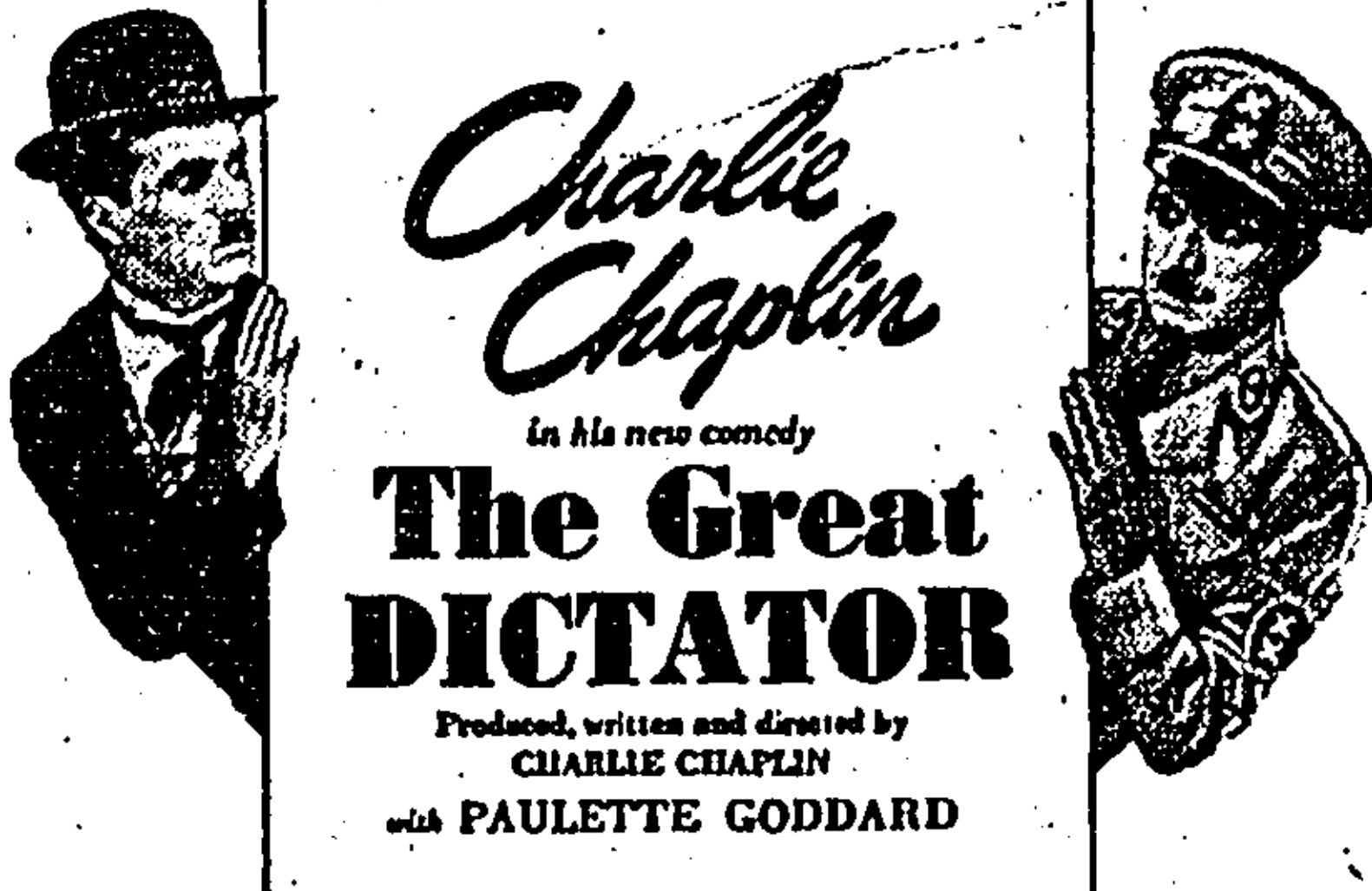
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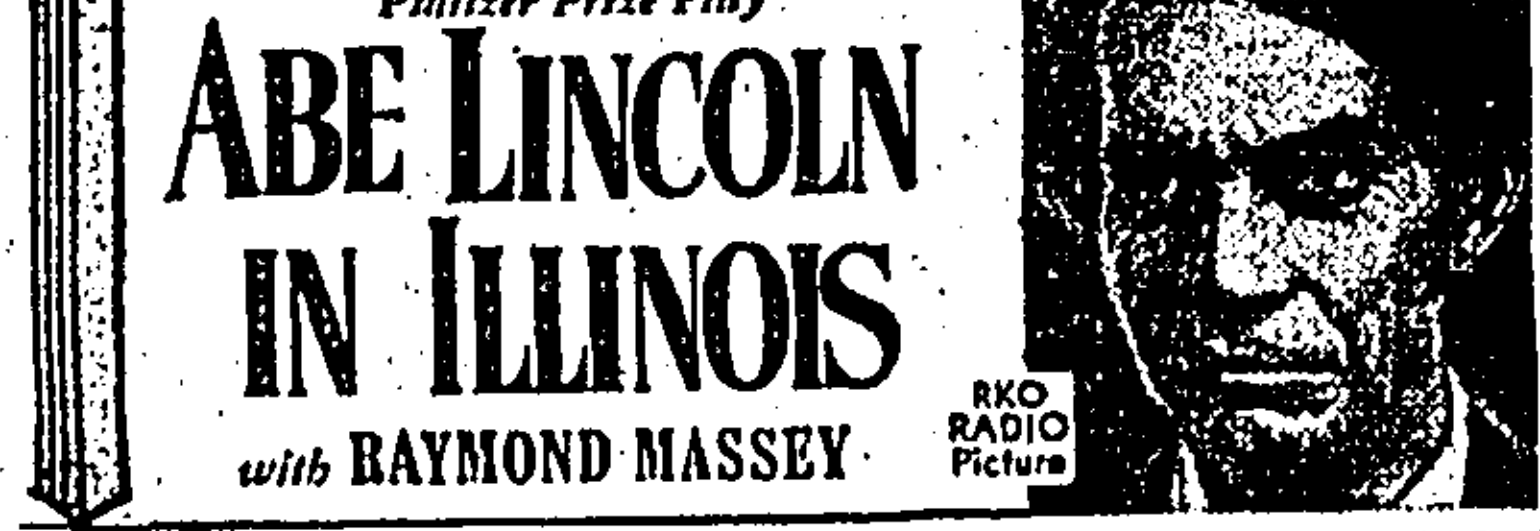
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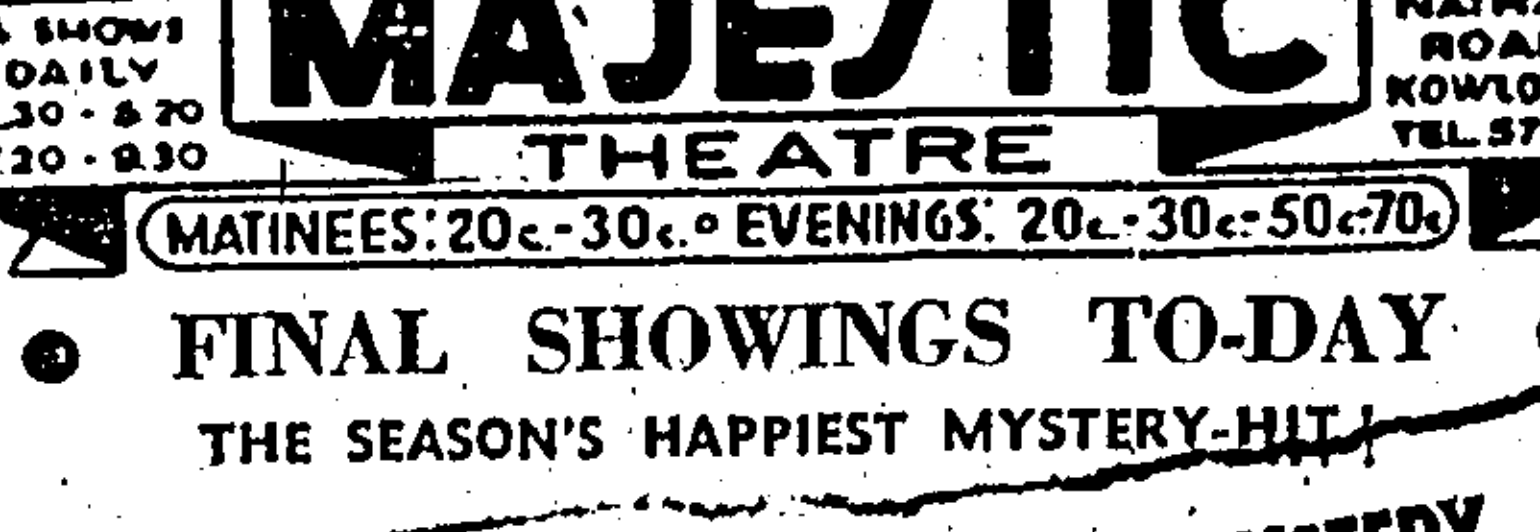
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INDO-CHINA TO CEDE LAOS & CAMBODIA TO THAI: VICHY DECISION

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, MAR. 2 (UP).—IT IS LEARNED THAT FRANCE HAS ACCEPTED THE JAPANESE FORMULA FOR MEDIATION IN THAI-INDO-CHINA DISPUTE INVOLVING THE CESSION OF THE PROVINCES OF LAOS AND CAMBODIA BY THE FRENCH.

The decision was taken at last night's meeting of the Council of Ministers. It is learned that five major provinces are involved, namely all of Louang, Prabang and Pakse in Laos, lying west of the Mekong River; all of Siemreap and most of Battambang and Kompong-Thom provinces in north and west Cambodia.

Nazis Ask Turkey To Mediate

Britain Turns Down
Peace Feelers

NEW YORK, Mar. 2 (Domei).—The "Associated Press" reports from Istanbul that it has reliably been learned that Germany asked Turkey to mediate in the European war during the visit to Istanbul of Mr. Anthony Eden.

According to the report, well-informed circles disclosed that the German Ambassador, Herr von Papen, approached the Turkish Foreign Minister, M. Sukru Saracoglu, pointing out that Turkey would be in a favourable position to act as a mediator. The same circles, however, declared that Britain had refused to consider a mediation.

Volunteer Camp Washed Out

The Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps was washed out of Fauling Camp last night by a very heavy downpour which soaked most of the kit.

This morning the whole camp including No. 2 and 3 Companies, Mobile Column, Engineers, Army Service Corps, Signals and Field Ambulance, returned home to get a change of clothing.

The men have been ordered to report for training again to-morrow at Headquarters where the remainder of the week's "camp" training will be finished.

RUMANIA VOTES IN PLEBISCITE

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Rumania's Dictator-Premier, General Antonescu, to-day held a national plebiscite throughout the country on the policy of his government, says a Bucharest message.

It is estimated that to-day 1,500,000 people recorded their votes.

Black-Out

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Rumania will be blacked out each night from 8.30 p.m. to 6.30 a.m. from to-night, according to a Bucharest message.

Parisians Boycott Nazi Conquerors

NEW YORK, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Derision and boycott are being used most effectively by the people of Paris as weapons against the Germans in the French capital, according to messages reaching the "New York Times."

The Germans no longer dare to break through the food queues of housewives outside the shops and carry off food as they did a few months ago.

Because of Nazi propaganda, the public is losing the habit of reading the newspapers or going to cinemas, but when they do they engage the Germans by their sneers and derisive laughter at the news films.

Boycotting takes the form of avoiding the slightest contact with the Germans.

Correspondents add that everybody listens to the news bulletins broadcast daily in French from London. "Loyalty to England is striking. The people dream of nothing but British victory."

Only twice have the Germans dared to sound the alert, it is stated, because when warning was given of British planes overhead, Parisians displayed so much joy that the Germans now deem it wiser to keep them uninformed.

U-Boat Threat Not So Serious

Experts' Opinion

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Hitler's new war on Britain's sea-borne commerce may be expected to be launched with between 120 U-boats actually available for service but the attack can be maintained by only one third of that number, says the "Sunday Times" naval correspondent.

Some highly exaggerated figures about the output of new boats from German yards have been put into circulation, he says, probably from Berlin as a move in the war of nerves.

A total ranging from 600 to 1,000 craft has been mentioned. It may be as well to say definitely and unequivocally that such figures are fantastic. They are a multiplication by five or ten of the possible output of German shipbuilding yards in a twelve-month span.

Submarines cannot be mass-produced, writes the correspondent. There is much work demanding skilled and patient handwork. Furthermore, the supply of skilled workers is limited and there is no evidence that the Nazis have recruited extra hands from the countries they have over-run.

Problem of Slips

Finally there is the problem of space. The number of building slips on which Germany can lay down vessels of 200 to 300 feet in length is pretty accurately known, and even though the yards of occupied countries were used there were still not enough to have taken anything like 600 keels in the past year.

At a general calculation there might have been a programme of 150 new U-boats in hand in recent months. But between the blue print and the ship at sea there is a big gulf as the German Navy found in the

Force of Arms Threat

The French decision was taken after receipt of an official Japanese warning that this was Mr. Matsuo's second and last compromise offer which would be enacted by Japanese force of arms if France declined to accept. French ministers also received official dispatches reporting that Japan had concentrated enormous arms and munitions in depots in Thailand. Japan has never ceased carrying arms to Bangkok there were more arms and munition than the Thai Army could hope to use.

Many observers are convinced that Japan has taken advantage of the Mekong Frontier tension to build up in Thailand a great stock of arms for possible eventual use against Singapore if a conflict comes there. It is known that the last Japanese freighter to Bangkok landed thirty light tanks, several hundred machine guns, several million rounds of bullets and several thousand explosive bombs.

Hopeless Situation

The French on the other hand have been unable to reinforce their defence forces in Indo-China. Theoretically France has been charged by the Axis with defending the integrity of the French Empire. In effect however, the German Government has forbidden France to ship machine guns, artillery and fighting planes to Indo-China. There are plenty of French pilots in Indo-China but disarmingly few planes. The French appeal to the United States for planes has been turned down. Germany made it clear that the Axis does not want France to accept American aid.

May Revolt

No report has been received from Admiral Decoux since Vichy took this

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LATEST

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Capture of Italian Generals in Libya



Not only did British forces capture tens of thousands of Italian troops in the famous North Africa offensive, but several generals also fell into their hands. These pictures prove the claim. Top photograph shows three Italian generals with their staffs arriving by plane under escort at Cairo, where they were taken to officers' prisoner-of-war camps, while below is seen some of the masses of Italian prisoners being marched back through the desert after their capture.

Cologne Factories Bombed Yet Again

—Multitude of Fires

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—A multitude of fires and the sky full of acrid smoke, was the scene again left behind by R.A.F. bombers when, last night, they made a second attack within a week on the industrial centre of Cologne.

On one side of the river and on the wharves on its banks, huge industrial buildings were ablaze and tall factories, standing up dark against the flames, made a good mark at which to aim heavy high explosive bombs.

I.B.B. TOWER Former Captain On China Station Dead

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, March 2 (Reuter).—The Admiralty has announced that three Rear Admirals figure on the list of casualties "unconnected with any particular ship or incident but sustained in meeting the general hazards of war." The dead included Rear Admirals J. C. Hamilton, I. B. B. Tower and E. J. G. Mackinnon.

As Captain Tower of H.M.S. Kent, for two years flagship of the County Class cruisers which formed the chief strength of the China Station, the late Rear Admiral was well known to Hongkong and China ports where he had many friends.

Ships To Be Piloted Through Dardanelles

ISTANBUL, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—The Turkish naval authorities have reported that they have issued instructions to all ships desiring to pass through the Dardanelles that they must henceforth notify their identity and ask for a pilot.

GRAVE BALKANS SITUATION

Mr Rendell Sees King Boris

Special to the "Telegraph"

SOFIA, Mar. 1 (UP).—King Boris to-day gave an audience to the British Minister, Mr. William Rendell for an hour and a half. Afterwards Mr. Rendell declined to make a statement, nor would he indicate the tone of the conversation.

A high British source said that Mr. Rendell would want to report to his Government before making any statement.

It is reliably reported that Mr. Rendell considers the situation most grave, he believes that a rupture in diplomatic relations is only a matter of hours or days. He is awaiting instructions.

At 5 p.m. King Boris gave an audience to the German Ambassador, Herr von Richthofen.

SYRIAN FRENCH Sent To Prison On Conspiracy Charges

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Twenty French officials and officers in Syria have been sentenced to imprisonment varying from five months to five years after a trial at Beirut on charges of "conspiracy" against the Mandatory Government, reports the "AP" news agency.

All the accused were arrested last autumn when measures designed to repress the Free French Movement were taken.

General de Lamoignon, now High Commissioner for Free French Africa, was among those whose arrest was ordered at the time.

While the former High Commissioner in Syria, M. Gabriel Puaux, still held office last autumn, the Germans arrested his son in France and held him as hostage. It was made clear to M. Puaux that the treatment of his son depended on how he repressed the Free French Movement in Syria.

Railways For Scrap

LONDON, Mar. 2 (British Wireless).—Railings at Berkeley Square, except those round the statue and fountain, are being removed to make scrap iron for munitions.

Bekeley Square was laid out in 1700 as part of the development which took place between 1700 and 1750 of the Mayfair district.

Communist Demands Refused By Chungking Government

CHUNGKING, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—The ban has been lifted on the National People's Political Council meeting which opened here yesterday when General Chiang Kai-shek addressed the gathering.

Seven Communist delegates did not attend the meeting. News of their absence was withheld as it was hoped that they would be prevailed on to attend, but since it was definitely established that they were not attending, news of the meeting was released.

The cause of the Communists' absence from the People's Political Council was due to the Communist demand for certain political concessions.

The fact that they are not attending the meeting indicates that such concessions are not acceptable to the Government.

The Kuomintang as well as the Minority Parties are not attaching importance to the Communist abstention.

Referring to domestic affairs in yesterday's address, the Generalissimo declared that final victory must be the goal of national defence and must be above everything else. He added that if there is no national security, there cannot be freedom, liberty and rights.

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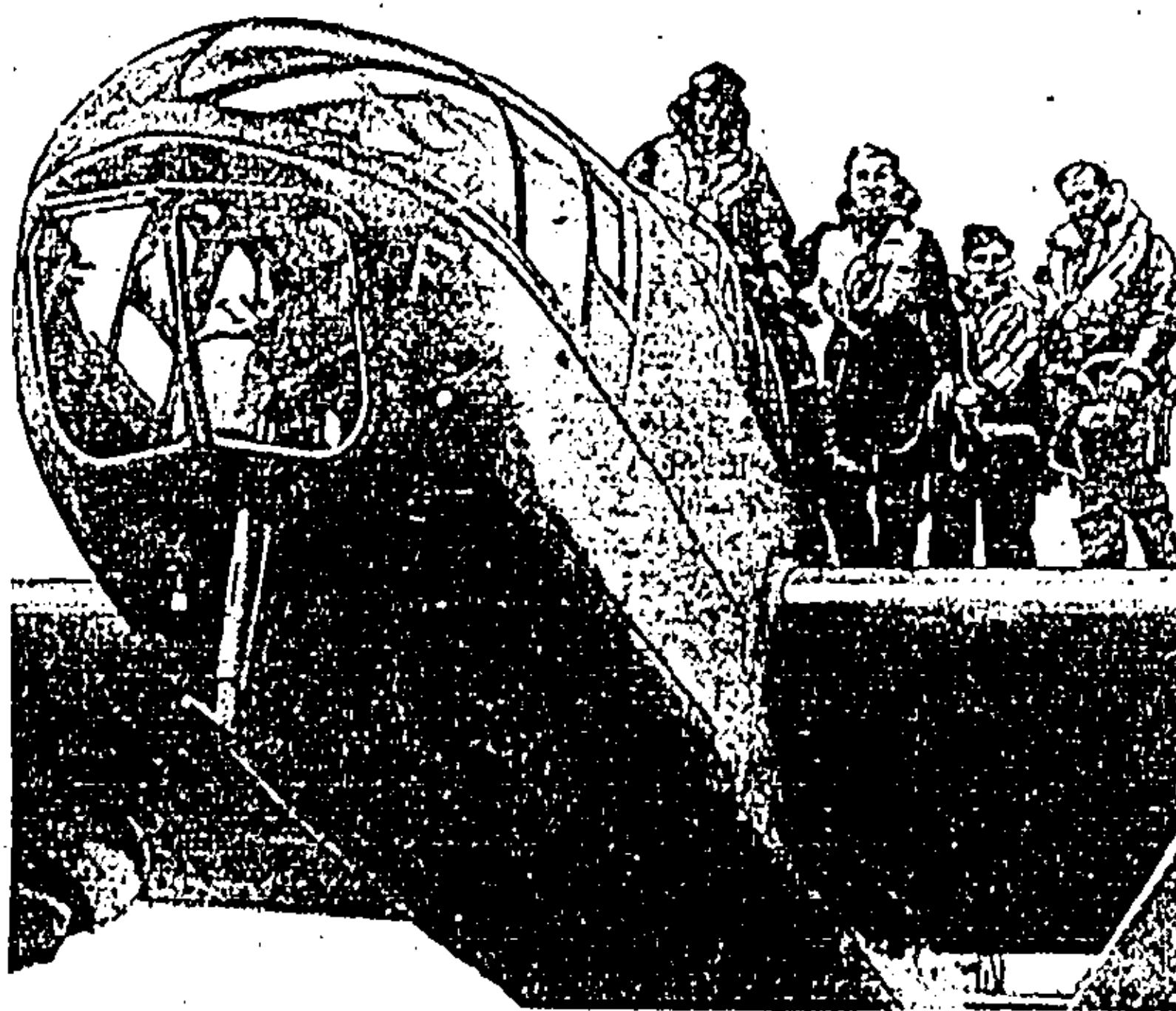
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AT THE CROSSROADS

ALTHOUGH a number of leading Japanese statesmen and the Japanese press have for some time past allowed themselves to adopt a menacing tone towards Britain and the United States, these two countries have persistently refrained from adopting a similar and all too easy method of retaliation, which, they wisely recognise, could only lead to further re-creation and bad feeling. Japan has, perhaps misunderstood and regarded this restraint as a definite indication of weakness, but whatever excuse there may have been for such an interpretation in the past, it is hardly conceivable that so mistaken an idea could be entertained now.

It is true that neither Britain nor the United States seek war with Japan—they have not sought war with anyone. Both countries are even anxious to avert it, but not to the extent that they are not prepared to take their stand should Japan threaten those territories whose integrity must remain inviolate. Japanese threat have indeed had the beneficial effect of jerking the American people out of their dreams of isolation to the realisation that preparations for defence must be thoroughly undertaken. The United States formerly was reluctant to take any action that could be construed as hostile, but Japan has, more than any other nation, changed this point of view.

Japan stands to-day at the parting of the ways. She is faced with a grave decision and from either direction the prospect is none too rosy. Lured by the hope of an easy conquest in unorganised China, her people and themselves to-day after 4 years of fighting reduced to an almost unbearable state of poverty. Bluffed, cajoled, and flattered by Germany, the country has been turned into a condition which borders on despair. The war of nerves which the Germans have played so successfully in various countries in Europe is being used in another form, in Japan, whose statesmen are being lured by promises which, at the best, can only be regarded as doubtful. It is one of the strange phenomena of the present war that though there has not been one single instance in which co-operation with Germany has proved successful—except for Germany itself—yet each victim in turn, enticed by false promises, has imagined that it will prove the exception. Even Italy, still quoted as the partner of Germany, has become the slave rather than the equal. It is plain to all that at the moment it suits Hitler's purpose to carry on the delusion that the European Axis still holds good, whereas it is equally clear that once he has attained his objective Italy will become as Rumania or any other conquered country.

In the last European war Japan was an ally of Britain and Russia. Her prosperity and progress date from that time. Since then, inspired by dreams of greater grandeur, she has thrown in her lot with Germany.

RIDDLES OF 1941

TO-DAY the "Hongkong Telegraph" begins a momentous series of articles, written by outstanding experts, on subjects which vitally affect every man, woman and child in the world. Written by war commentators with world-wide reputations, these articles will examine the chief problems that confront us in this Year of Destiny.

FIRST in the series discusses the issues raised by President Roosevelt's latest speeches . . .

Will America Enter the War?

By Alistair Cooke

Famous transatlantic broadcaster whose voice is known to millions of listeners.



ALISTAIR COOKE

If she had an army—which she has not—a two-ocean navy, thousands of idle pilots, and fifty thousand immobile planes, she would be irresistibly tempted to extend her war effort to Europe.

For the United States is a nation at all times susceptible to moral crusades and proud of her technical skill.

By the middle of 1942, she will have the means to indulge this mood, if Britain is by then still holding out in an indecisive war.

America has now been energised to see the true position, for President Roosevelt's recent speeches have sounded the most stirring clarion since his first bedside talk in the dark days of 1933.

On the diplomatic front the United States proceeds on the audacious premise that it does not exist. But make no mistake, America is at war with the Nazis and Fascists.

They'll Be Used

It is not down on the books yet, simply because the Germans, for their own good reasons, have not cared to cry: "Halt! Who goes there?"

Sometime this year they may. They may decide to wage undeclared submarine warfare on American shipping. That would put an end to diplomatic relations between Germany and the United States which are maintained to-day only because they are ignored.

You would then marvel at how deep America was in, and wonder when she first entered the war. The answer would be: Immediately after Dunkirk.

Besieged Britain has one other consolation, though it is of a philosophical sort, and hence less acceptable in wartime than anti-aircraft guns or fresh vegetables.

It is simply this: There is no record in history of a nation amassing weapons of war and then throwing them into the dustbin. Once you commit yourself to them, somehow they tend to get used.

To-morrow:

**WILL HITLER
INVADE BRITAIN?**

by Major E. W. Sheppard,
famous writer on Army
affairs; formerly a staff
officer and a tank officer;
now the new Military
correspondent of the
"Daily Herald"

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE

It's a funny thing . .

I SAW Old Silence looking at the stars. The sky was very beautiful. A great white moon hung over a pale, solemn earth.

"You look sad," I said.

"Just thinking," he replied.

"Of home?"

"I haven't a home. I move about and live here and there."

"Family?"

"I have no family."

I could only say: "Ah."

After a while, Old Silence spoke again, half to himself.

"Nor have I any friends," he said. "Three months ago, if I had suddenly been wiped off the face of the earth, there would have been nobody to care."

"I volunteered for the Army; I wanted to get away into a new life. Then, all of a sudden, I fell in love with a woman, and she fell in love with me."

"It happened in forty-eight hours. It was one of those things two people wander through life on separate paths, without purpose as it seems, come, by God's grace," said Old Silence.

"You must not laugh at what they call 'love at first sight.' Two people meet and instantly recognise the fact that each is what the other has been looking for."

"I met her by chance. Life became beautiful, full of new things; it was like being born into daylight. I never thought it possible to fall in love as much as that. In fact, I used to think that love was something which people exaggerated for the purpose of making stories and films."

"But I can tell you, now, that writers and actors cannot convey one thousandth part of the real meaning of love. True love is too deep for expression. Do you understand?"

"I understand," I said. "Then," he went on, "after I had known her only three days, I was called up. And here I am. And there she is. My body is here, and it does what I tell it to do—my duty. But my soul is there; and I feel an emptiness, a kind of pain which will not go away. We write to each other every day. We'll meet again. But . . ."

He laughed forlornly. There was quiet for a while; the great, deep quiet of a calm winter night. "This war is a strange, sad kind of beginning to many beautiful things yet to come, by God's grace," said Old Silence.

An air raid warning sounded, and we reached for our rifles.

Does It Matter?

If, however, you are anxious to know whether America is going to declare war, probably only God and President Roosevelt can tell you. Only God would want to.

Anyway, it is a matter of surprising unimportance. But it will cause a lot of mischief as people go on thinking an American declaration of war would mark a change from idleness to prodigious activity.

It would not make any such change, and everybody who tantalises himself with this day-dream has failed to understand the ways of modern war, the reality of the effort America is making, and the sort of stake she has in the post-war world. Let us examine the question.

Peace to War

Almost the most unconventional act of the present war was the declaration of war made by Britain and France.

Japan still prefers to regard her nine years of looting, bombing, and systematic campaigning as the "China Incident."

Russia did not make war on Poland or Finland in the old sense, and Germany has yet to declare war on Austria, Memel, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Denmark, Norway, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg.

Her part in the carving up of Rumania was that of "adviser."

This indifference to the gentlemanly rules of war has been one of the great successes of totalitarian strategy.

Hitler chooses to declare nothing and to keep everybody in a state of tension and terror.

The United States, however, believe that two can play at that game, and President Roosevelt especially is an adept.

So while we deplore the fact that Germany never learned to play cricket, it is worth reminding ourselves that America is at the moment taking full advantage of the very same failing.

America, too, is not bothering herself with declarations. Instead, she goes ahead, giving to Britain all sorts of help which in the world before 1917 would have constituted positive acts of war.

Consequently, international law in these times has all the force and authority of a rabbit's foot.

So far this alliance has not brought the expected happiness nor prosperity to the Japanese people, and they would do well to remember that the threatened advance southwards, though gilded by German propaganda, would expose them to still greater dangers.

foot. It belongs to the pre-war world, which includes also definitions of "war entry."

It does not help us to appreciate the part America is playing.

The Germans were also the first to realise that civilians—that is, the families of the fighting men, and the mechanics, and the diplomats—are all equally effective cogs in the machine of total war, and must be so organised.

It is true that to-day no American sailor is tossing depth charges after German submarines, but it is a mistake, too, to think of him as looting in Hawaï with attractive brunettes.

Pacific "Longstop"

He's in the war—moreover, in Britain's war—for he is in the Pacific playing longstop to the British Navy, which is busy elsewhere.

If he were not there, it is very likely that the men in the factories of Ohio and New Jersey would be powerless to go to work on British orders for planes and tanks and guns, because nearly all the rubber and tin that is vital to the armaments industry comes from the Dutch East Indies.

The Japanese Navy is keeping a sharp eye on the Dutch East Indies. And the American sailors are keeping a sharp eye on the Japanese Navy.

They will stay on watch until synthetic rubber production in the United States is really humming and the Indies need no longer be prized as the gem of the Pacific.

America has a big Navy, but it is not big enough to split. It is not big enough, for instance, to ease America's great anxiety over the Panama Canal.

Through that narrow lane of water part of the Pacific fleet would have to dash to stop Germany taking over Martinique or French Guiana if the Petain regime should go down in complete surrender.

Busy Preparing

America painfully needs a second Navy, but though she is hammering away at overtime to build one, it is an unavoidable fact that a battle-ship takes four years to make.

To defend her own shores alone she is in equally painful need of planes, tanks, A.A. equipment, rifles, uniforms, and most of the other weapons of defence.

If Germany were now to declare war on her, and she was compelled to defend her merchant ships against U-boats, her harbours against raiders, the Panama Canal against fatal sabotage, there is no denying that America would go on a complete and frenzied war footing.

She would thereby increase her armaments production, but not as much as she would need to satisfy the new calls on her supplies.

She would, indeed, have much less to spare for Britain and China, and might be bluntly compelled to say so.

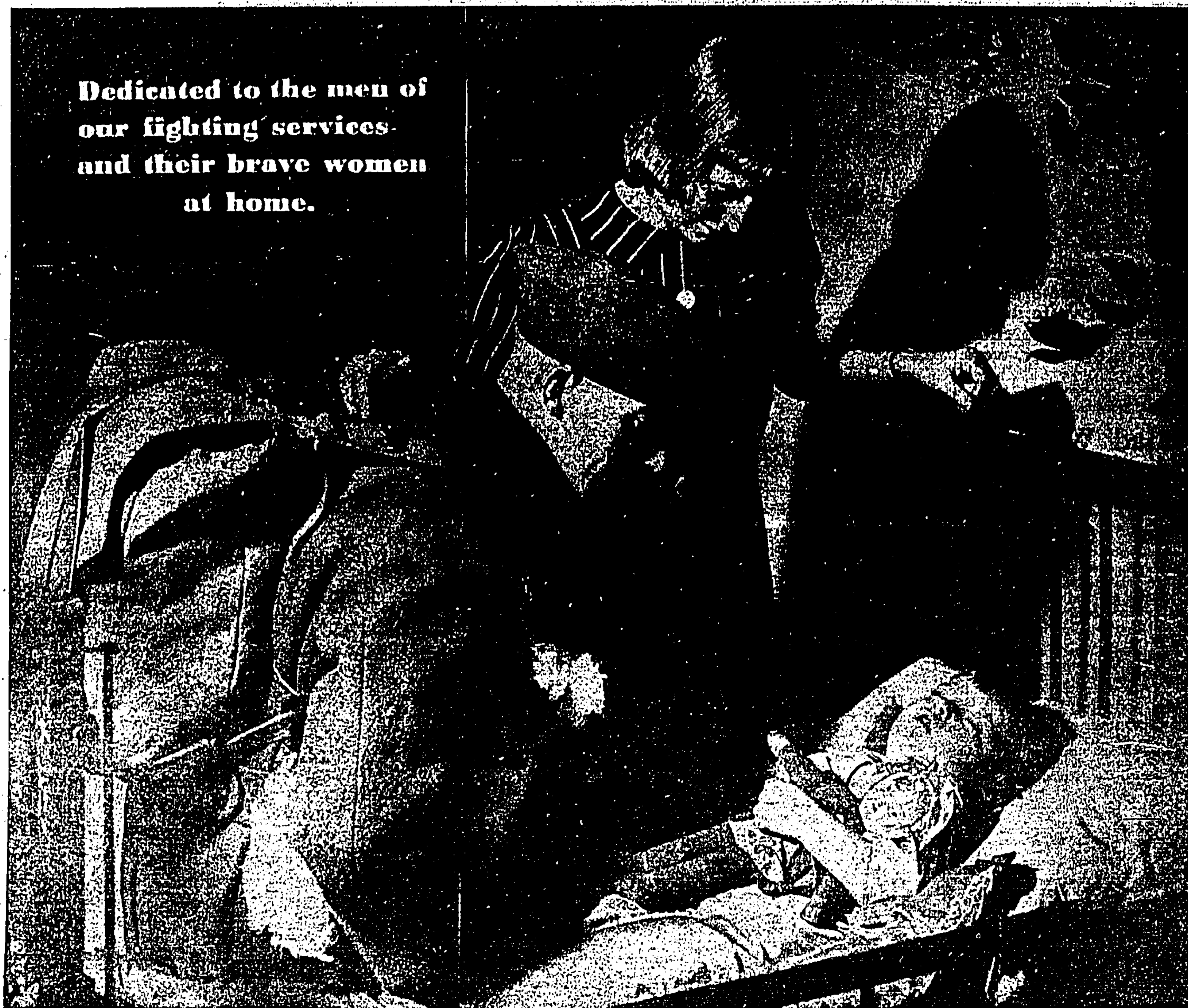
America is fully alive to these dangers and is preparing as feverishly for total defence as if actual battle were to be done next month on the plains of Texas or in the waters of Chesapeake Bay.

Her armament workers are in this war as grimly as they will ever be. You may say that America is doing this for her own safety. So she is—but the point is that she were doing it primarily for Britain, she would be doing the same things at the same speed.

Since America is arming with all her might against the very enemy that Britain is now resisting, and since President Roosevelt makes no bones about naming and despatching that enemy, you might be tempted to assume that America's interest in this war is on all counts the same as Britain's.

In many ways it is—she believes in the same institutions, the same type of government, the same freedoms.

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People's Political Council Session In Chungking

CHUNGKING, Mar. 2 (Central News).—The first plenary session of the 2nd People's Political Council was opened in Chungking at 9 a.m. yesterday morning with 193 members in attendance. Dr Chang Po-ling was Provisional Chairman.

It may be recalled that the 2nd People's Political Council was organized last November as an advisory organ following the postponement of the National People's Assembly, which was originally scheduled to be convened on November 12 last year.

Among the members present at the opening ceremony were Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Bishop Paul Yu Pin, Aw Boon-haw, Tsou Tso-fen, Professor Chung Chung-fu, Wang Hsiao-lai, Mai Sze-teh, Chen Hsi-meng, Pi Chung-shih, Lo Lung-chi, Chow Tuo-kang, Wang Chia-chen, Li Hsien-kang, Chang Shih-chao, Tung Kuan-hsien, General Chang Chih-chiang, Dr Lo Wen-tan, Tam Ping-shan, Shen Chun-ju, Tso Hsun-sheng, Kiang Yung, Dr Carson Chang and Professor Liang Shih-chiu.

Women members present included Misses Wu Yi-fang, Hsieh Ping-hsin, Shih Liang, Liu Hong-ching, Wang Li-ming and Wu Chih-mei.

A three-minute silence for the Chinese soldiers and civilians killed in the war was observed.

Presidium Elected
After the opening speech by Dr Chang Po-ling, Mr Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek delivered their speeches of admonition and Mr Chow Tuo-kang replied on behalf of the members.

Following the opening ceremony, a preliminary meeting for the first session was held for electing a presidium of five in accordance with Articles 10 of the Revised Organic Law of the People's Political Council. Those elected were Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Dr Chang Po-ling, Mr Tso Hsun-sheng, Dr Carson Chang and Miss Wu Yi-fang.

Dr Wang Wen-hao, Minister of Foreign Affairs, reported on the diplomatic situation in the past ten months with special reference to China's diplomatic moves, the American, British and Soviet policies toward China, the silver question in the British Concession in Tientsin and the Second Special District Court issue in the French Concession in Shanghai.

Economic Affairs
Dr Wang Wen-hao, Minister of Economic Affairs, made a report on economic affairs during the same period. He reviewed in particular governmental encouragement of industries and mining, control over important materials, improvement of navigation and water conservancy, and the increase of China's production.

Many queries were made by the members of the Council to which Dr Wang Chung-hui and Dr Wong Wen-hao promised to give written replies.

LETTERS

Japanese And Tennis Championships
The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir.—I notice in to-day's issue of the "South China Morning Post" that Mr. Okimasa Umetani has entered the Men's Singles and that he and Mr. Takeshi Imura have entered the Men's Doubles of the Hongkong Cricket Club Tennis Tournament, in which the profits from entrance fees and admission tickets are to be donated to the "South China Morning Post" and "Hongkong Telegraph" Bomber Fund.

Evidently there are still free minded Japanese who do not feel bound to support the Axis.

ADANAC.

Women's Golf Competitions At Fanling

THE LADIES SECTION of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will hold a one-day Spring Meeting at Fanling on Tuesday, March 11. The following competitions will be held on that day:

1. A Bogy, on the New Course, for a prize presented by the Ladies Section. A special prize has been presented by Mrs Eldon Potter for handicaps of 30 and over.
2. Approaching and Putting competition.
3. Running Putting Pool, for a prize presented by Lady MacGregor. The proceeds from the pool will go to the L.G.U. Spiffire Fund.

At the end of the proceedings, the Captain (Mrs F. A. Macintosh) will present the prizes.

By the courtesy of the Kowloon-Canton Railway management, the "Capo Belle" will leave Sheung-shui for Kowloon at 6.17 p.m.

February Results

The following competitions were held during February:

1. Captain's Cup. Mrs A. K. MacKenzie qualified on the Old Course, with 99-15=34 and Mrs A. M. Rowell on the New Course with 99-22=77.
2. Club Medal. There were no entries on the Old Course. Mrs Simon White with 101-30=71 won on the New Course.
3. Running Bogy was won by Mrs Cassidy, 4 down.
4. Eccletic Competition during December, January and February for a prize presented by the Military Lady Associates was won by Mrs Cassidy, 67-9=58. The runner-up was Mrs Redmond, 71-10=61.

Foreign Exchange For Chinese Chungking Decision

CHUNGKING, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—It was officially stated to-night that the Central Bank, under instructions from the Ministry of Finance, can resume buying and selling of foreign exchange to meet legitimate requirements.

Previously foreign exchange could be obtained in Shanghai and Hongkong on approved applications, and the new ruling will make foreign exchange available to the public in the interior of China at both the official and commercial rates.

Since the wording of the official statement is so vague, it is impossible to ascertain the motive behind the action.

One Chinese source claims that the step will minimise the importance of Hongkong and Shanghai in foreign exchange dealings since hereafter it will not be necessary for foreign firms to apply in Hongkong and Shanghai to obtain foreign exchange but may do so in Chungking.

Another theory is that the action may lead to the removal of the Chinese Stabilisation Fund control body from Hongkong and Shanghai to Chungking, while another theory claims that it may result in the eventual withdrawal of the Central Bank from foreign exchange dealings in Shanghai and Hongkong.

Pilot Downs Three Planes

Singlehanded
CAIRO, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—A fighter pilot of the R.A.F., flying alone over the Teleplina area in Albania, sighted five Italian fighters. He immediately engaged the enemy and shot down three, the other two breaking off the combat.

This incident is reported in to-day's R.A.F. Middle East Headquarters communique, which says that bomber and fighter aircraft were again busy on Saturday in support of the Greek Army operations in Albania.

Bulgarian Decision Explained

Nazis Admit Troops Have Taken Over

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—According to the German news agency, Professor Ploft, the Bulgarian Prime Minister, in a statement on the German entry into Bulgaria, said:

"The Reich Government has expressed consideration of the existing treaties of friendship we have concluded with our neighbours which emphasize the peaceful policies of Bulgaria."

"In the present European situation, after weighing all the circumstances, and led, above all, by the wish to safeguard the vital rights of our people and the country, and after receiving assurances that the existing law and order in the country would be maintained in the highest degree, the Bulgarian Government has decided to agree to the request of the Reich Government."

"The Bulgarian Government declares that the presence of German troops in the country in no way changes the peaceful policy of Bulgaria, who is determined to refrain from any attack and from any measures that threaten the interests of anyone."

"The Bulgarian Government feel that their action will be rightly understood by all and approved by the Balkan people."

The German news agency adds that the Bulgarian Chamber has approved and accepted the statement of the Prime Minister by an absolute majority.

Communique

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—The German High Command to-day issued the following communique about the entry of German troops in Bulgaria:

"As a safeguard against British measures in south-eastern Europe, formations of German troops began to march into Bulgaria on March 2 with the consent of the Royal Bulgarian Government."

"As the German troops were marching in, they were cheered by the Bulgarian people."

"Protection"

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—The entry of German troops into Bulgaria was officially admitted in Berlin for the first time to-day.

A German Foreign Office announcement states: "In agreement with

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the Bulgarian Government, German troops have just crossed the Bulgarian frontier in order to protect Bulgaria from Britain's scheme to spread the war to the Balkans.

Hitlers Telegram
LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Hitler to-day sent a telegram to King Boris of Bulgaria, saying "I beg Your Majesty to accept my most cordial wishes for your well-being and for the happy future of Bulgaria in this hour, in which Bulgaria has reaffirmed her attachment to Germany, Italy and Japan."

London Envoy Resigns
LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent learns that the Bulgarian Minister in London has telegraphically tendered his resignation to the Bulgarian Government.

Rendel Received
VICHY, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Dispatches received from Sofia state that the British Minister to Bulgaria, Mr George Rendel, was received by King Boris this afternoon and that the British military attaché has left Bulgaria.

Ironical

SOFIA, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—While German troops continued to march across the frontier, Bulgaria to-day began celebrations of her National Independence Day which falls to-morrow.

Sofia is perfectly calm and as usual large crowds are strolling on the main streets by brilliant sunshine.

All public buildings are hung with Bulgarian flags and there is little to remind the people of the momentous happenings behind the scenes except the occasional appearance of uniformed German troops.

Congratulations

TOKYO, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Congratulations on Bulgaria's accession to the Tripartite Pact have been sent by Mr Yosuke Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, to Hori von Ribbentrop (German Foreign Minister), Count Ciano (Italian Foreign Minister) and M. Popoff (Bulgarian Foreign Minister).

MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

South China Assume Leadership Army Beat Navy 12-8 In Royal Navy Trounced 4-1 At Causeway Bay Yesterday

(By "SCRAMBLER")

THEIR HESITANCY TO go for the ball and their weak and inaccurate passes throughout the game were the contributory factors that led to the Navy's 4-1 defeat by South China, when they met yesterday at Causeway Bay, in the Senior Division yesterday. Against a solid defence, Navy persisted in short tapping passes, which more often than not, were frustrated before they had time to become effective.

Deserved Victory

On the whole South China thoroughly deserved their win, for they played the better brand of football, often inveigling Navy's defence into a false position to bring off a coup. The two insidemen lent admirable aid both in defence and attack, for they adopted the "W" formation throughout, and because of the fact that Lee Wai-tong was given the most attention, both Chan Tak-fai and Chow Man-chi were given plenty of work to do in which to excel.

South China made good use of their wingers. The attack indulged in many intricate moves, and had the Navy defenders on the wrong foot whenever on the move. As stated, Navy paid far too much attention to Lee Wai-tong, with the result that most dangers emanated from the wingers, due to good approach work on the part of both Chan Tak-fai and Chow Man-chi. The latter was very prominent with his foot-work. Both wingers were good, and did what were required of them.

In defence, the wing halves, Lau Hing-choy and Lau Chung-sang co-operated well with the backs, covering and positioning well. Lam Tai-po throughout played the role of a third back, since the two wing halves were backing him up. Between the three of them, they had the Navy attacks smothered.

Tam Prominent

The pair of backs tackled and cleared well, and because of the good work put in by their front men, they were not half as much overworked as their opposite pair. Tam Kwan-hon was in one of his merry moods, bringing off many daring saves, several of which looked like certainities.

The Navy team did not impress as a whole, being disjointed. As stated they were far too loose in the attack, and coupled with the fact that they were unable to keep to their feet, they were never really dangerous.

The pair of backs, Roughley and O'Regan, were sound, but found that the short passing game of the Chinese which alternated with the long passing methods adopted later in the game was too much for them. Giff was not so very safe, and his handling of the ball on many occasions revealed that he lacks the qualities of his predecessor.

Hazard's Policy

Hazard played a tireless game in the key-post, but his policy of

shadowing Lee Wai-tong afforded the Chinese inside forwards far too much room to move about. At times he played the third back, and despite the close attention paid to Lee Wai-tong, the latter scored the best goal of the match with a left footed drive.

The wing halves were unable to come with the fleet footed Chinese wingers. Paul had a better command over Lee Shek-yau than did Hawkins over Lee Tak-kee. Paul got rid of ball by kicking hard, whereas Hawkins held on to his short passing game, because of Paul's first time clearances, Navy obtained the only goal scored by them.

In attack, Navy were way behind the Chinese, being slow when in possession, and allowed the Chinese to rub them before they had time to settle down. Barber was a great trier, but found little or no support from his men, even Hendy did not appear to be at all happy. Le Page worked hard, but the wingers were palpably weak, Skinner being the worse of two. On the whole, they were unable to move as a unit, although flashes of brilliance were seen from the individuals.

Even Play

Play opened very evenly as both keepers were visited in turn. Tam Kwan-hon saved from Hendy and at the other end, Giff cleared from Lee Shek-yau. Navy were unable to settle down due to the heavy condition of the ground, and were given a hard time by South China's forwards, who were playing more to their wingers.

In an attack on the Navy goal, Lee Wai-tong was bundled off the ball by Roughley in the area, and from the ensuing "spot-kick" he made no mistake. This reverse appeared to have a demoralising effect on the Navy lads, and they fell away somewhat to allow South China to dominate play. Only the keen watch kept by Roughley, O'Regan and Hazard kept them from further scoring.

After a bout of midfield play, Tam saved from Le Page, and Lau Chung-sang sent the ball to Lee Shek-yau, who, evading the advancing Roughley, sent in a high shot which Giff failed to hold. Navy at this stage

Bad Weather Mars Week-end Softball Tilts

BAD WEATHER, which made conditions most unpleasant, considerably marred the week-end softball matches at the Kowloon Football Club. The rather cold and brisk wind had effect on fielding.

The major match of the day, St Joseph's ball-hawks, against the youthful Cyclones, proved somewhat a walk-over for the Saints, for in the first, third and fourth innings they had tallied 2-3-3 (their total), and to this the Cyclones replied with a solitary tally in the fourth frame.

Canuckettes blanked out the Chung Hwa to win 11-0 while the Mohawks demolished the Philippines 10-0.

Scores were:

Girls
Canuckettes 11, Chung Hwa 0.
Ramblerettes 22, Las Florinas 0.

Major League
St Joseph 8, Cyclones 1.
Chinese 0, Canucks 2.
Mohawks 10, Philippines 0.

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persisted in far too much short passing.

Second Half

After the change over, Barber went through on his own, but his passing was stopped by Tsang Chung-wan. Again going into the attack, Anderson, when well placed shot behind. Forcing a corner on the left, South China went further ahead when Chan Tak-fai headed neatly past Giff.

Following upon pressure by South China which was relieved by Lee Tak-kee sending behind, Hendy went through on his own, and his shot was nicely held by Tam Kwan-hon. Breaking away from an attack, Lee Tak-kee sent across a nice centre, and Chow Man-chi deftly passed to Lee Wai-tong, who manoeuvred into position to send in a pile driver with his left foot that had Giff beaten all the way.

Thereafter, the Navy went into the attack, and many individual efforts were wasted by the players' inability to go through. However after Tam Kwan-hon had saved repeatedly, Le Page sent in a slow shot that had the Chinese custodian beaten all the way, although Tsang Chung-wan made a desperate effort to save it.

NAVY: Giff, Roughley, O'Regan; Paul, Hazard, Hawkins; Anderson, Le Page, Hendy, Barber, Skinner.

SOUTH CHINA: Tam Kwan-hon; Tsang Chung-wan, Tse Kung-hung; Lau Hing-choy, Lam Tai-po, Tatu Chung-sang; Lee Tak-kee, Chan Tak-fai, Lee Wai-tong, Chow Man-chi, Lee Shek-yau.

SPORTS ADVERT.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held, weather permitting, on Saturday, 15th March, 1941, (postponed from Saturday, 8th March, 1941) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 6th March, 1941.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

ALMOST A GOAL



Chan Tak-fai (South China) takes a snap shot at goal, but just wide. Giff (Navy) dived but was beaten.—Ming Yuen.

Excellent Times At La Salle College Sports

DESPITE bad weather, a large crowd of spectators were present at the running of the La Salle College annual athletic sports on the College ground on Saturday. Times were good, though the track was sodden and heavy. Three records were broken.

L. Silva took 13 seconds off the old record in the 1500 metres for seniors by clocking 5 mins. 5 2/5 secs, and A. Sandberg who rode a line race in the two miles bicycle event returned a time of 5 mins. 32 secs, to better the old record by 24 secs. Both Silva and Sandberg won their respective races with ease and in fine style. In the 800 metres for juniors, E. Tavares took half a second off the previous record of 2 mins. 27 1/2 secs.

A. P. Silva won the Senior championship, J. R. Pereira the Junior championship and L. Sequeira was the Midget champion.

At the conclusion of Saturday's events, the prizes were presented by Bishop H. Valtorta.

RESULTS

Following were the results of Saturday's competitions: (Challenge Cup presented by the Wing On Company).
1. A. P. Silva; 2. R. Remedios; 3. A. Maccechin; Time 12 2/5 secs.
Junior 100 metres.—1. J. R. Pereira; 2. L. Timpo; 3. A. Rodrigues. Time 12 4/5 secs.
Midget 100 metres.—1. F. Larcina; 2. L. Sequeira; 3. T. Gmund.
Sub-midget 100 metres.—1. R. Ruyters; 2. G. Gutierrez; 3. P. Remedios.
Senior 200 metres (Challenge Cup presented by the Portuguese Staff of the Hongkong Bank).—1. A. P. Silva; 2. A. Maccechin; 3. J. Gomes. Time 24 3/5 secs.
Junior 200 metres.—1. J. R. Pereira; 2. L. Timpo; 3. J. Xavier. Time 20 3/5 secs.
Midget 200 metres.—1. L. Sequeira; 2. F. Larcina; 3. G. Kalkoff. Time 39 secs.
Sub-midget 50 metres.—1. R. Ruyters; 2. F. Vas; 3. G. Gutierrez.
Junior football race.—1. Class 5B; 2. Class 4A; 3. Class 7D.
St. Joseph's College 200 metres.—1. R. Ho; 2. S. Silva; 3. J. Cheung. Time 23 secs.
Midget 400 metres.—1. L. Sequeira; 2. G. Kalkoff; 3. W. Silva. Time 1 min. 12 secs.
Junior 400 metres.—1. E. Tavares; 2. J. Xavier; 3. L. Timpo. Time 44 1/5 secs.
Senior 400 metres (Challenge Cup presented by Mr. Wong Tat-yuen).—1. N. Castro; 2. J. Xavier; 3. R. Remedios. Time 45 4/5 secs.
Junior 800 metres.—1. L. Xavier; 2. A. Malig; 3. H. Russian.
10th Kowloon Troop Scout race.—1. C. Altalan (Senior); 1. Loung Kwok-cheng (Junior).
Midget Potato race.—1. F. Larcina; 2. C. Sequeira.
Sub-midget Potato race.—1. R. Ruyters; 2. Wong Kong-yin.
Senior 100 metres (Challenge Cup presented by the Sincere Company).—1. J. Xavier; 2. N. Castro; 3. A. Sandberg. Time 2 mins. 30 secs.
Junior 800 metres.—1. E. Tavares; 2. J. Maxwell; 3. N. Xavier. Time 2 mins. 2 secs.
Tellers' sack race.—1. F. Soares.
N. Y. Lim; 2. C. Ching.
Senior 1500 metres (Challenge Cup presented by the Wing On Company).—1. L. Silva; 2. J. Xavier; 3. Lee Wing-cheuk. Time 5 mins. 5 2/5 secs (Record).
Midget sack race.—1. J. Rocha; 2. A. Malig.
Sub-midget sack race.—1. E. Elanzer.
Invitation relay race.—1. Wah Yip College.
Junior Inter-Class relay race.—1. Class 3A; 2. Class 2A. Time 3 mins. 12 4/5 secs.
Senior Inter-Class relay.—1. Matriculation Class; 2. Class 2B. Time 40 1/5 secs.
Midget Inter-Class relay.—1. Class 5A.
Class 6A.
Midget tug-of-war.—1. Class 5A.
Senior tug-of-war.—1. Class 4A.
Senior tug-of-war.—1. Class 4A.
Two miles bicycle race.—1. A. Sandberg; 2. George Ng. Time 5 mins. 32 secs.
Inter-Class Champions (Winners of the Carvalho Pennants):
(Junior): Class 4A (Midget).
(Senior): Class 2A (Midget).
(Volley Ball)—Boards (Senior): Class 6C (Junior).
Individual champions.—A. P. Silva (Senior); J. R. Pereira (Junior); L. Sequeira (Midget).

Hockey

Khalsa Beat Y.M.C.A. 3-1

IN A FRIENDLY GAME of hockey on Saturday, Khalsa beat Y.M.C.A. 3-1 after sharing two goals at half-time. The victory showed the better understanding and gave "Y" defence a strenuous time, especially in the second period when Atwar Singh added two further goals to his first half total to complete his "hat-trick". The "Y" defence first through Olsen, while before the interval, in the second half, however, Khalsa were more to the fore and gained a deserved victory.

H.K. Ladies Score 9!

Overwhelmingly superior in all departments, Hongkong Ladies trounced Club de Recreo Ladies by nine clear goals in a friendly hockey match on Saturday at King's Park after holding an interval of 3-0. Hongkong Ladies were three players short, but dominated the game from start to finish. Miss J. Booker (5), Miss M. Booker (3) and Miss R. Simpson scored for the winners.

Outsider Wins Santa Anita Handicap

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 1 (Reuter).—The 50-1 outsider Bayview won the Santa Anita Handicap of \$100,000 by a neck to-day, after leading throughout. He was ridden by Wall who is the first jockey to have won the race twice. Midland, the 6-4 favourite, was second and Bellingbroke third at ten. Chaledon, the "horse of the year," was hit by a field of 10. The time was 2:25 2/5, the slowest on record, probable because of the sloppy track. On the totalisator Bayview paid the highest dividend in major western racing history, \$118. Placed dividends were \$20.20 and \$30. Over 60,000 people watched the race.

RUGGER, as witnessed in the Army-Navy struggle at the Club ground on Saturday, could be classed as one of the best and most exciting exhibitions of the season. The Army emerged victorious by 12 points (three tries and a penalty goal) to 8 (a goal and a try) after a scoreless first half.

Navy's forwards were in the limelight, especially in the loose, while among Army players, Fairclough, the full back, was prominent with excellent and long kicks.

The real match began in the second period. Birrell put Army into the lead with a penalty goal, but Navy went on top when Dowden scored a great try, which was converted by Paul.

Then from a penalty 40 yards out, Paul's kick struck the upright and rebounded to Carter. The latter threw himself across the Army line but was hurled back again. The ball went into the loose, and Paul sent Wilson across for an unconverted try to increase Navy's lead. Army reduced arrears shortly afterwards when Marsh went over for an unconverted try, and were well on their way to bring themselves close if not into the lead when, following a five passing bout between Richards, Hamlin and Birrell, the latter made a bee line for Navy's goal-line. He was, however, brought down brilliantly by McGill.

Army Lead

Then from the five-yards scrum, Foley scored on the blind side, which Birrell failed to convert, and put Army in the lead.

Just before the end, Richards sent over a high pass to Marsh for the latter to take and put the issue beyond doubt.

Teams were:
Army—Fairclough, Marsh, Richards, Hamlin, and Birrell, Capt. Hook and Foley, Leat Bomps, Sutherland, Evans, Lieut. Millar, Lieut. Edson, Page, Berry and Gilliam.
Navy—Thompson (Club), McGill, Paul, Wilson and Grace; Carter and Bowden; Palmer, Inglis, Hughes, King, Stockham, Thomas (Club), Danger and Flint.

Royal Scots "A" Enter Quarter-finals

Royal Scots "A" entered the quarter-final round of the Blarney Stone Rugby Seven-a-Side Tournament on Saturday when they beat Combined Small Units "B" by two tries (6 points) to a try (3 points).

After a scoreless first half, Patterson made Scots the lead when he cleverly followed up a punt to score wide of the posts. Small Units levelled through Cogwill, but Patterson again came to Scots' rescue when he scored another unconverted try late in the game.

Draw And Dates

The quarter-finals, semi-finals and final of the Blarney Stone Sevens will be held on the Club ground next Saturday, commencing at 3 p.m. The following is the draw for the quarter-finals:
Club "A" v. Civil Service; Royal Engineers v. Royal Scots "A"; Butterfield and Swire v. Middlesex "B"; 8th Heavy Regt. R.A. v. Tamar and Small Ships "A".

Artillery XV

The following will represent Combined Royal Artillery against the Essex Regiment in the Large Units Rugby League on Wednesday at Soekunpo at 3 p.m.:

Lieut. Fairclough (5th A.A.); Sgt. Marsh (8th Hvy.), Captain Skipwith (8th Hvy.), Gnr. Keeble (12th Hvy.), L/Sgt. Richards (8th Hvy.); 2/Lieut. Dawson (8th Hvy.); Gnr. Robinson (5th A.A.); 2/Lieut. Bomps (11th Hvy.); Sgt. Hicks (8th Hvy.); 2/Lieut. Deiderd (12th Hvy.); L/Sgt. Evans (5th A.A.); 2/Lieut. Heath (5th A.A.); Sgt. Page (5th A.A.); 2/Lieut. Edson (12th Hvy.); L/Sgt. McDermott (8th Hvy.).
Reserves—Gnr. Cook (8th Hvy.); Gnr. Enderbrook (5th A.A.); Lieut. Clague (5th A.A.); L/Sgt. Turner (8th Hvy.).

ROUND ISLAND YACHT RACE

The third Jan Trophy race was sailed round the island yesterday over 23 1/2 miles. Results:
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True Blue 4:33.17 L. Garner
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Petrol 4:37.07 C. F. Hyle
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Jews Barred From Theatres

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
THE HAGUE, Feb. 16. (UP)—Jews have been banned from motion picture theatres throughout Holland on the ground that they have been responsible for recent disturbances in film houses, it was announced officially.

It was understood that the order was issued after German authorities had conferred with theatre owners. Many restaurants and cafes recently posted notices saying: "Jew Guests not Desired."

Douglas Fairbanks Jr. Plans Aid For Empire

Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., bound for Washington to attend the inaugural, paused in New York to announce that he is reorganising 200 West Coast units of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies.

He said: "Anyone who is not in favour of all-out aid to Britain either has not read 'Mobi Kampf' or has read it and not understood it, or has read it and agreed with its principles."

Enthusiastic About Visit To China's Capital

"I had a very strenuous, but very enjoyable and very fascinating stay in China," said Mr Lauchlin Currie, President Roosevelt's personal representative to China at a Press conference, held in the American Consulate-General in Hongkong on Saturday prior to his return to the United States by Clipper yesterday, with Mr Emile Despres, economic research official.

Mr Currie said he was bearing Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's personal greetings back to President Roosevelt. He added that he had been greatly impressed by the Generalissimo, whom he had met several times in Chungking. In the capital he spent nearly all his time studying memoranda, holding interviews and attending social functions. He drove and walked around the city which did not experience any air raid alarms during his visit.

Questioned regarding the official side of his work, Mr Currie pointed out that he could not speak about his mission until he had made his report to President Roosevelt.

The only other city he visited at length was Chengtu, where, he said, he did even more sightseeing than in Chungking. In Chengtu he visited the Aviation School and watched a flying display by young Chinese pilots in training and also inspected the Military College. He spent most of his time with General Chang Chun, Chairman of Szechuan Province. He did not visit any actual battle fronts.

Mr Currie, in reply to a question, said that he could not confirm the report that Mr Wendell Willkie would visit China. He added that the newspaper report was the first he had heard of the matter.

During the three days he spent in Hongkong, before flying back to the United States, Mr Currie said he called on His Excellency the British Ambassador to China, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr and His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieut-Gen. E. F. Norton, at Government House and Mesdames Sun Yat-sen and H. H. Kung.

In Chungking he was entertained at a joint dinner given by the British and American Embassy staffs, at which the British Ambassador was present.

Among those present at the press conference on Saturday were Mr Emile Despres, research official of the Economic Division of the U.S. Federal Reserve Board, Mr Addison F. Southard, American Consul-General, and Mr Hollington K. Tong, personal representative of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who accompanied Mr Currie aboard the plane from Chungking to Hongkong.

Capt. Batty-Smith Hurt In Fall

On the evening of February 20, Captain H. S. Batty-Smith, whilst on duty in the grounds of Government House, fell and sustained injuries which will necessitate his being in hospital for several days.

During his absence the duties of Aide-de-Camp will be performed by Mr B. C. Fay of the Hongkong Police.

By Ernie Bushmiller

WELSHMEN GATHER

Cocktail Party Given By St. David's

Welshmen gathered in force on Saturday evening at the Hongkong Club, where St. David's Society entertained a number of Servicemen and Merchant Service officers to a very successful cocktail party.

Mr D. Morgan Richards, newly elected President of the Society, and Mrs Richards and Committee members received guests in one of the larger reception rooms, which was beflagged, while Committee members carried a large leak, the Welsh national emblem, over their left shoulder.

Among those present were Commodore A. C. Collinson, R.N., Hon. Mr C. G. Alabaster (Attorney General), Mr E. W. Davies (Crown Solicitor), Mr and Mrs J. Owen Hughes, Mr H. Owen Hughes, Mr and Mrs F. Edwards, Major C. Champkin, Mr W. H. C. Thomas, an ex-President, Mr E. Cock, Comdr G. S. Hughes-Jones, R.N., Comdr H. C. Millett, R.N., Mr E. Lloyd-Jones, Mr and Mrs W. T. Lewis, Mr T. J. Price, Sub-Lieut. E. R. Price, H.K.M.V.F., Rev. E. Sandbach, Lieut (E) Birkett, R.N., Mr G. G. Davies, Mr C. F. Needham, Dr Allen Thomas, Dr T. W. Ware, Mr and Mrs B. J. M. Mynks, Miss A. M. Whittey, Miss M. Carew, Mr G. C. Davies, Mr W. J. Curd.

Committee members present in addition to Mr D. M. Richards were Mr W. Anceun Jones (Vice-President) and Mrs Anceun Jones, Mr R. Edwards, Mr D. S. Jones, and Dr Rhys Caradoc Jones.

Mr Richards said that as President it gave him great pleasure to welcome the guests. He said that the Society had decided to hold a cocktail party instead of the usual dinner, the idea being to entertain as many of their Service friends as possible. It was hoped, he said, to contribute something towards the needs of the distressed in South Wales, who were suffering the most immediate needs of the war (Applause). The usual cables had been sent to Singapore and Shanghai and one had been received from St. David's Society in Shanghai.

Sir David Owen

Mr Richards said that it must have come as a big disappointment to local Welshmen not to be able to entertain one of their most distinguished countrymen, Sir David Owen, who was unable to accept their kind invitation as he was leaving for the United Kingdom. Mr Richards said that he was sure all Welshmen were very glad to see their first President (Mr J. Owen-Hughes) at their party (Applause). He reviewed the past season's activities, and paid a tribute to the energetic work of the Committee and particularly Mrs Lewis. He said the Society had enabled a destitute Welshman to secure a passage to Singapore, where he had obtained a fairly good job. The Welshman in question had written to the local President from Singapore stating that he hoped in the very near future to repay the sum of money which had been provided as a gift. (Applause). The Society had given a donation of £50 to the Hongkong Benevolent Society instead of buying the usual wreath. He felt sure that this would meet with the unanimous approval of all Welshmen. Mr Richards finally asked everybody to rise and drink to the toast of "The Mother Country."

Among Servicemen present were Pte J. Walters, Pte W. R. Griffiths, Pte H. Jones, Pte G. Williams, Pte P. Vyford, Gnr. H. Lucas, Gnr. D. J. Pratt, Gnr. Ivor Bevan, Gnr. S. E. Forman, Gnr G. Butts, Gnr J. McDermott, Pte D. James, Pte R. Toogood, Pte L. Owens, Sgt James, Pte Derek, Pte Tel. Honeywell, Yeoman S. E. Kellon, A.B. K. Chivers, Sgt. W. G. Lewis, A.B. Powell, Cpl J. E. Brown, R.M., A.B. T. Telford, A.B. J. H. G. Davies, A.B. Addis, Mr Wm. Graham and Mr Hugh Roberts.

Shanghai Appeal For Economy

Shanghai, Mar. 2. Warning that rationing of power supply may be necessary due to the shortage of coal deliveries, the Municipal Council to-day urged consumers of the Shanghai Power Company to economise on the use of power and assist in conserving stocks of fuel.

A serious view is held by Council and industrial quarters. It is believed that if the Company's petition for a 60 per cent. cut in the power supply is approved by the Council industry and employment will suffer. The Council in a statement, says that unless relief is immediately forthcoming it will be necessary to ration supplies of electricity in a manner suitable to the urgency of the situation. A special committee is studying the problem.—Reuter.

Support For Bomber Fund

A total of \$1,593,788.84 was reached on Saturday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donors: Officers' Club (first donation) \$50; "Spare Gear" (weekly donation) 7.45; Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowling, O.B.E. (in memory of the late Mr H. E. Slater) 10; "Parliament Grill" (second donation) 47.12; Regimental Clerk, Lyemum 20; Mr and Mrs H. M. Wood (fifth donation) 30; "Lumbe Evening" (fifth donation) 20; All Ranks, "I" Company, 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots (fifth donation) 100; The following monthly donations to the War Fund were also received on Saturday: Mr and Mrs D. Needham \$20; "Ardulm" 100; Mr H. Lipkowsky 2; Anonymous 5; Mr L. N. Owen 10; Miss E. F. Chart 30; Mr G. W. K. Crawford 15; Air mail 15.

EMERGENCY REFUGEE COUNCIL.—The S. C. M. Post has received the following donations to the Emergency Refugee Council: Sympathisers (fifth contribution) \$100; SOCIAL WELFARE: The Hongkong Refugee and Social Welfare Council acknowledges the following donations during the month of February: The Staff and Students of Leedes College, Colombo, \$80.18; Mrs Hughes (food kitchen), \$5; Mrs. St. (food kitchen), \$22; Mrs. A. H. Poon (food kitchen), \$20; Mrs. L. W. H. Poon (food kitchen), \$20; Contribution from Foreign Auxiliary, \$12.50; Miss Kermarck, \$1; Contribution from Foreign Auxiliary, \$61.75; Mr T. M. Smith, \$10; Mr and Mrs Cunningham (food kitchen), \$20; Mr Ma Ching-hoi (food kitchen), \$100; Prof. W. Brown (food kitchen), \$30; Staff of St. Stephen's Girls College (food kitchen), \$50; Sympathisers c/o S. C. M. Post, \$40; A Friend (H. Kennedy) (food kitchen), \$5; Mr K. M. Anderson, \$10; Mr J. Owen Hughes \$10.

Donations in kind during the month of February: Four hundred pieces of firewood, Sandakan Chamber of Commerce; freightage on firewood, Messrs Jardine Matheson & Co.; ten tons of rice, American Red Cross, China Relief.

PRISONERS OF WAR.—The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Relief Fund for British Prisoners of War: Q.O.R.G.Y. \$50.

DONATIONS WAITING.—Donations for the following Organizations await collection at the office of the S. C. M. Post: B.W.O.F.; Lepers' Fund; St. Vincent de Paul; S.P.C.A.; Hongkong Benevolent Society; Emergency Refugee Council; Relief Fund for British Prisoners of War.

Mr Eden In Athens

ATHENS, Mar. 2. (Reuter).—Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, and General Sir John Dill, Chief of Imperial General Staff, have arrived here by air after conversations in Turkey.

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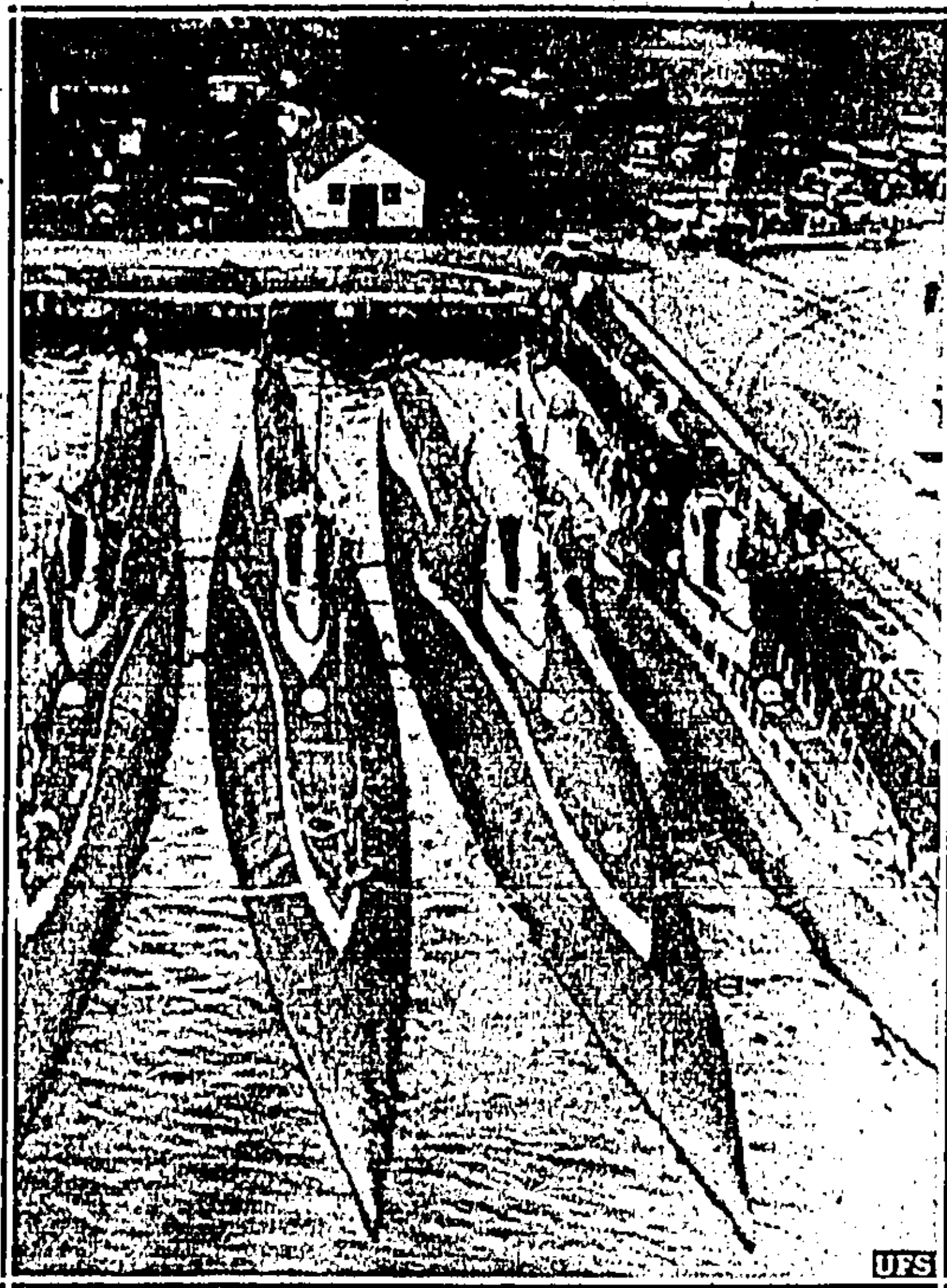
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STILL GOOD—Those S-class submarines were laid up with others in Philadelphia Navy Yard, back in 1930. But there's still fight in them, so they're being reconditioned.

U-Boat Threat Not So Serious

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last war when it was able to complete about only half the boats for which contracts were optimistically placed. We may, I think (says the correspondent), expect that Hitler's new war on sea-borne commerce will be launched with between 100 and 120 boats actually available for service.

Necessary Deductions

At first glance that number appears formidable but the number available is not necessarily the number active in the front line. There are many deductions to be made. For example, the submarine school at Kiel needs several for training new crews.

It is probable that some 4,000 hands are undergoing intensive training and to give even a quarter of that number experience under way for a week, some 20 boats must be detached from the fighting fleet. That figure is no mere guess; it is the actual total of the training boats attached to the school at the height of the 1917 campaign.

The whole number of craft available cannot be maintained at sea at the same time and practical experience shows that about one-third of the available craft can be on active service in any one week, one third resting and the other one third undergoing extensive repairs.

Cologne Factories Bombed Yet Again

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night's attack on Cologne was most successful. Three British planes are missing.

Berlin Report

BERLIN, Mar. 2 (UP).—To-day's reconnaissance states that long distance reconnaissance planes attacked two convoys off the east Scottish coast sinking one 9,000 steamer and so severely damaging five other large ships that their loss must be reckoned.

Strong bomber units attack Hull, Southampton and Great Yarmouth as well as the British night raiding bases. They also attacked harbour facilities in northern Scotland and ports in south and southeast England.

British raiders, with somewhat stronger forces, attacked localities in western Germany and bombed in the vicinity of Cologne; however, the military damage was "insignificant" although they destroyed some houses and killed some civilians who neglected to enter the air raid shelters.

Wall Collapses, Kills Woman

A wall in Fung Wah Street, Kowloon, which is in the course of reconstruction, collapsed this morning and a 40-year-old Chinese woman was buried beneath the debris and was instantly killed.

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Mrs Roosevelt Withdraws

Spanish Refugee Aid

Mrs Franklin D. Roosevelt has withdrawn her sponsorship of the American Rescue Ship Mission because "since giving my name I have found out that the committee is not under good auspices." The mission was organized to raise \$300,000 to bring Spanish refugees from France to Mexico.

The resignation of John Haynes Holmes, pastor of Community Church, preceded Mrs Roosevelt's withdrawal from the organization. He charged in his resignation that the Communist Party was in control of the group and was using it to further interests of the party and of the USSR. Both Dr Holmes and Mrs Roosevelt sponsored the mission at the request of Helen Keller, noted blind writer.

Mrs Marie Coleman, secretary of the Washington committee of the mission, said Mrs Roosevelt withdrew on the grounds that other organizations performed the same services. She denied there was any Communist influence in the committee's leadership.

Indo-China To Cede Laos & Cambodia

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decision, and it will not be surprising to any observers here if the populations of the parts of the Protectorates involved in the transfer revolt against cession to Bangkok, arm themselves against Thai armies and at the same time call on England and America for aid.

Observers believe that Japan has learned the balance greatly in Thailand's favour in order to gain a preponderant position in Bangkok from the gratitude of the Thais for their aid in the transfer of the nation at almost no cost of lives or military effort and eventually to eliminate the British from favour in Thailand at a time when Singapore is menaced.

Japanese Confirm Acceptance

SAIGON, Mar. 2 (UP).—Commander Isao Yasumura, liaison officer between the Thais and the French, told the "United Press" today that "Vichy, in principle, has already accepted the Japanese proposals, and has instructed the Indo-China Government to conclude the details with Japan and Thailand, suggesting that Indo-China make an effort to lose as little as possible."

"However," declared Commander Yasumura, "I warn that stubbornness might cause the French to lose still more territory."

He asserted that Indo-China would lose all of Laos west of the Mekong River, three quarters of Kampong-thom province in northern Cambodia and also territory in southern Cambodia with the new border running through Battambang and Siemreap. He said that he did not know the status of Ankor.

French officials declined to believe the announcement made by Commander Yasumura until it was officially confirmed. Authoritative circles said that the territories Commander Yasumura outlined contain roughly 600,000 inhabitants, while the southern portions produce rice and fish in substantial amounts, although the northern portions are mostly jungles.

GRAVE BALKANS SITUATION

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streets. The normal night life of the Capital went on without incident. A new atmosphere is being created, and large arrows have been placed in the lobby of the largest hotel which indicate the basement air raid shelters.

Inquiries made by correspondents among all classes of Bulgarians revealed that they were phlegmatically regarding the appearance of the Germans. "I saw only one swastika which was flying above the German Chancery. On Sunday morning, there was no militarized marching by German legions. None of the troops seen on Saturday carried rifles or full battle kits. I saw only two men covered troop trucks parked in front of the hotel which the people inspected curiously. The local police have been augmented and I saw more than the usual number of mounted police riding in pairs throughout the town. The main gate of the British Legation was openly guarded."

Mussolini Called 'Finito' In Italy

Thomas J. Smith, Philadelphia artist, reported on his return from Rome that there was great unrest in Italy and that the common joke among Italians was to refer to Benito Mussolini as "Finito" Mussolini, says Associated Press.

"Finito" is the Italian word for "finished." Mr. Smith had been studying in Italy.

"Most of the people in Italy are resigned to the fact that the Army won't win," he said. "They also are wondering what has happened to their Navy?"

GOVERNOR TO REST

At the request of his medical advisers His Excellency the Acting Governor has cancelled all engagements until Wednesday, March 5 inclusive. An announcement regarding his engagements during the rest of the week ending on March 9 will be issued in due course.

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INDO-CHINA TO CEDE LAOS & CAMBODIA TO THAI: VICHY DECISION

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, MAR. 2 (UP).—IT IS LEARNED THAT FRANCE HAS ACCEPTED THE JAPANESE FORMULA FOR MEDIATION IN THAI-INDO-CHINA DISPUTE INVOLVING THE CESSION OF THE PROVINCES OF LAOS AND CAMBODIA BY THE FRENCH.

The decision was taken at last night's meeting of the Council of Ministers. It is learned that five major provinces are involved, namely all of Louang, Prabang and Pakse in Laos; lying west of the Mekong River; all of Siamreap and most of Battambang and Kompong-Thom provinces in north and west Cambodia.

Thailand thus gains the rich rubber plantations and mines of the Battambang Province and enormous rice paddies around lake Tonoe Sap. Bangkok will as a result obtain a greater quantity of elementary staple products which it has hitherto lacked and at the same time will have tin and rubber to barter for more rice.

It is believed that the question of rubber and tin had an important influence on Thailand's demands and it is reported here that Tokyo has obtained priority on deliverance.

France thus cedes rather than engage in an hopeless fight but only under pressure of a Japanese threat to use force to enact Tokyo's "mediation" plan.

In effect France gives in all along the line but theoretically the French refuse all of the Thai demands directly and cede only to the Japanese mediation offer under the menace of Japanese arms.

That was the trend of the French official dispatch sent to Tokyo on Saturday and also of the dispatches to Admiral Decoux and General Mordant.

Force of Arms Threat
The French decision was taken after receipt of an official Japanese warning that this was Mr Matsukata's second and last compromise offer which would be enacted by Japanese force of arms if France declined to accept. French ministers also received official dispatches reporting that Japan had concentrated enormous arms and munitions in depots in Thailand. Japan has never ceased carrying arms to Bangkok there were more arms and munition than the Thai Army could hope to use.

Many observers are convinced that Japan has taken advantage of the Mekong Frontier tension to build up in Thailand a great stock of arms for possible eventual use against Singapore if a conflict comes there. It is known that the last Japanese freighter to Bangkok landed thirty light tanks, several hundred machine guns, several million rounds of bullets and several thousand explosive bombs.

Hopeless Situation
The French on the other hand have been unable to reinforce their defence forces in Indo-China. Theoretically France has been charged by the Axis with defending the integrity of the French Empire. In effect however, the German Government has forbidden France to ship machine guns, artillery and fighting planes to Indo-China. There are plenty of French pilots in Indo-China but disheartened few planes. The French appeal to the United States for planes has been turned down. Germany made it clear that the Axis does not want France to accept American aid.

May Revolt
No report has been received from Admiral Decoux since Vichy took this TURN to Back Page, Column 4

LATEST
Indo-China Seeks Concessions
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, Mar. 3 (UP).—The "Asahi Shimbun" to-day predicted a "happy conclusion" to the Indo-China-Thailand peace negotiations before expiration of the truce at noon on March 7, with France and Thailand agreeing to mutual concessions and acceptance of the Japanese mediation plan.

However stated the paper, more frequent negotiations between the Japanese and French and the Japanese and Thai delegates must be held in order to bridge present differences. The newspaper reported that M. Arsene Henry, the French Ambassador while notifying Mr Matsukata of Vichy's acceptance of the Japanese plan in principle, requested Japan's "further good offices" in urging Thailand to make more concessions.

The paper declared that M. Henry was ready to make "considerable concessions" as the time for expiration of the truce approaches.

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Capture of Italian Generals in Libya



German Ultimatum To Greece Reported

Make Peace, Or—

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SOFIA, Mar. 2 (UP).—The vanguard of the German forces are already approaching the Greek frontier, according to authoritative sources.

However, the particular locality for this movement is not specified.

Virtual Ultimatum

NEW YORK, Mar. 2 (Domei).—According to "Associated Press" reports from Sofia, German diplomatic channels have submitted a virtual ultimatum to Greece warning her that it was her last chance to seek peace with Italy.

Eden Sees Greek Leaders

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ATHENS, Mar. 2 (UP).—Mr Anthony Eden and party arrived at the airport here to-day at 2.45 p.m. and the British Foreign Minister was given an audience by the King at 3.30 p.m. after visiting Premier Korizis. All precautions were taken by Hellenic scouting patrols which were circling far from Athens but no enemy planes appeared as the huge Sunderland transport plane which was carrying the party, escorted by one fighter circled the sky above Mount Parnassus, bringing the most important mission to Greece since the latter entered the war.

Yugo-Slavia's Position

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BELGRADE, Mar. 2 (UP).—The unimpeded German march into Bulgaria has given Yugo-Slavia a perceptible push towards the Axis, TURN to Back Page, Column 3

S'hai-H.K. Air Route

SHANGHAI, Mar. 3 (Reuter).—The local Foreign Chamber of Commerce has decided to petition Pan-American Airways to inaugurate a Shanghai-Hongkong passenger service in the near future, according to the Chinese press.

Pan-American Airways are reported to be at present planning to extend the Manila and Hongkong services to Singapore.

Russia May Revise Her Foreign Policy

Special to the "Telegraph"

ANKARA, Mar. 2 (UP).—According to diplomatic sources, Mr Matsukata the Japanese Foreign Minister, will attempt to secure a non-aggression pact with Russia when he goes to Moscow.

It is declared that while Russia is unable to remain indifferent over the German occupation of Bulgaria, she feels she cannot do anything at present, but she is willing to improve relations with the United States and Britain on account of the steady improvement in the strength of the Russian army and the economic situation.

Diplomatic sources understand that Russia wants British recognition of her annexations "in return" for an

Hollanders Fined For Striking

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

THE HAGUE, Mar. 2 (UP).—It is officially stated that the German Commissioner for Public Security, Brigade Commander Rauter has ordered the Burgomasters at Amsterdam, Hilversum and Zaandam to pay the Reich Commissioner of Holland fifteen million, 1,500,000 and 500,000 guilders respectively within one week.

The Burgomasters must raise the sums from all persons except German subjects. In their communities who have already paid more than 10,000 guilders in income tax. The payment must be made within the fixed time or other measures will be taken. The fines are imposed for strike disturbances at these places.



Not only did British forces capture tens of thousands of Italian troops in the famous North Africa offensive, but several generals also fell into their hands. These pictures prove the claim. Top photograph shows three Italian generals with their staffs arriving by plane under escort at Cairo, where they were taken to officers' prisoner-of-war camps, while below is seen some of the masses of Italian prisoners being marched back through the desert after their capture.

Cologne Factories Bombed Yet Again

—Multitude of Fires

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—A multitude of fires and the sky full of acrid smoke, was the scene again left behind by R.A.F. bombers when, last night, they made a second attack within a week on the industrial centre of Cologne.

On one side of the river and on the wharves on its banks, huge industrial buildings were ablaze and tall factories, standing up dark against the flames, made a good mark at which to aim heavy high explosive bombs.

Guided first by the Rhine and later by the blaze of fire between the British aircraft and the enemy, but for the most part the fighters disappeared at once into the night.

Coastal Offensive
LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—During an offensive reconnaissance on the Dutch and German coasts this afternoon, British aircraft attacked Dörkum and Hamstede aerodromes and the Harlingen port. No British planes are missing.

Later reports confirm that Saturday night was a successful one for the R.A.F. in the coastal offensive. TURN to Back Page, Column 3

Raid-Free Sunday

Few Nazis Over Britain

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—An enemy bomber was to-day shot down into the sea off the east coast by R.A.F. fighters, says an Air Ministry communiqué which reports there had been little enemy activity over Britain during daylight to-day. Bombs it states, were dropped at places in north Scotland and the east coast but little damage was done and no casualties were reported.

Ships To Be Piloted Through Dardanelles

ISTANBUL, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—The Turkish naval authorities have reported that they have issued instructions to all ships desiring to pass through the Dardanelles, that they must henceforth notify their identity and ask for a pilot.

GRAVE BALKANS SITUATION

Mr Rendell Sees King Boris

Special to the "Telegraph"

SOFIA, Mar. 1 (UP).—King Boris to-day gave an audience to the British Minister, Mr William Rendell for an hour and a half. Afterwards Mr Rendell declined to make a statement, nor would he indicate the tone of the conversation.

A high British source said that Mr Rendell would want to report to his Government before making any statement.

It is reliably reported that Mr Rendell considers the situation most grave, he believes that a rupture in diplomatic relations is only a matter of hours or days. He is awaiting instructions.

At 5 p.m. King Boris gave an audience to the German Ambassador, Herr von Richthofen.

German Comment

BERLIN, Mar. 2 (UP).—A communiqué issued by the High Command to-day said that German troops were sent to Bulgaria to-day "for reasons of security in the face of British measures in the southeast which come to our knowledge."

German informed quarters learned from Sofia that the German troops crossed the Bulgarian border in order to "counter British intentions of extending the war" and to "protect Bulgarian interests."

It is generally admitted that the occupation is in preparation for a "new phase of the war" but officials refused to say whether or not the army and air force would push across Bulgaria into Greece, forcing the latter to make peace with Italy.

Political quarters described Bulgaria's adherence to the tri-power pact as "comparable to a military victory." These same quarters predicted that still more nations would adhere to the Axis, referring apparently to Yugo-Slavia.

A statement to the foreign press said that "threats as well as attempted acts of sabotage which were recently taken by foreign quarters against Sofia had a large influence on the developments."

The attempted destruction of the water works at Sofia was cited specifically and comparisons were made with "similar acts in Rumania before the German troops entered there."

Life In Sofia

BY HUGO SPEER
SOFIA, Mar. 2 (UP).—At 4 a.m. on Sunday, entire blocks of Sofia were blocked off and curious Bulgarians watched contingents of German soldiers in the middle of the TURN to Back Page, Column 3

Communist Demands Refused By Chungking Government

CHUNGKING, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—The ban has been lifted on the National People's Political Council meeting which opened here yesterday when General Chiang Kai-shek addressed the gathering.

Seven Communist delegates did not attend the meeting. News of their absence was withheld as it was hoped that they would be prevailed on to attend, but since it was definitely established that they were not attending, news of the meeting was released.

The cause of the Communists' absence from the People's Political Council was due to the Communist demand for certain political concessions.

Referring to domestic affairs in yesterday's address, the Generalissimo declared that final victory must be the goal of national defence and must be above everything else. He added that if there is no national security, there cannot be freedom, liberty and rights.

Hongkong News of the Week

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Monday

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Wedding. A bride in a period gown of white tulle and two small flower-girls in ankle-length frocks of the same material formed the striking bridal group that entered St. John's Cathedral this afternoon. The occasion was the marriage of Miss Beryl Daisy Fair, younger daughter of Mrs. J. L. Turner, to Capt. Patrick James Townend Skipwith, R.A., elder son of Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. J. W. Skipwith, of Broad Oak, Cranleigh, Surrey, England. A vast white tulle was held in place by a wreath of orange blossoms round the bride's head. For a bouquet she carried a sheaf of arm lilies. The flower-girls, Bridget Armstrong and Claire Van Wyck, wore cars of tribute satin and carried Victorian posies.

Mr. M. H. Turner escorted the bride up the aisle while Mrs. Turner, in smart gown of grey French chiton velvet, with toque to match, acted as matron-of-honour, and Miss M. Simpson, in dusty blue and pink Chinese silk, as bridesmaid. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. L. Wilson, Dean of Hongkong, officiated.

Captain Walter Hook undertook the duties of best man. Afterward a reception was held in the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

Amateur. Playing at home in the A Division of the Badminton League to-night, Recreio beat Chinese Y.M.C.A. 5-4.

J. J. Renaldas and H. S. Goncalves lost to S. Koh and C. Y. Yung 16-21; lost to C. H. Wong and G. T. Lau 6-21; lost to C. Au and H. Koh 22-22.

A. M. Silva and L. A. Carvalho lost to Koh and Yung 16-21; lost to Wong and Lau 9-21; lost to Au and Koh 21-13. The Big Sweep. Main interest in the third day of the annual race meeting was centred on the sweep on the Roosty-Hill Derby, which has twice been postponed. A record total of 1,000,000 tickets were sold, and the first prize amounted to \$307,000, won by the holder of Ticket No. 53127. Second prize worth \$113,000, and third prize \$50,000.

The race was won by United Express, in Kuy-ying up, with Endeavour second and Jus Gentium third.

Customs. Paid. About midnight on Sunday Fung Kwok-wa, well-known amateur jockey and water-polo player, was found at his Customs' Pass bungalow suffering from hypodermic and wounds in his throat. His wife, Chul Lo-fan, alias Tai Shau-kam, was dying of wounds in the head and abdomen to have been inflicted with a chopper.

Chul died before the arrival of the Police, but Fung was taken to Kowloon Hospital where his condition at midnight last night was reported as critical, although he had regained consciousness.

About 11 p.m. on Sunday a gardener heard screams and shouts from one of the bedrooms of the bungalow. Rushing up to investigate he found the bedroom doors and windows locked, but with the help of another servant he broke down the door and found the couple lying on the floor in a pool of blood.

The Police were immediately informed, and took the woman's body to the Kowloon Mortuary where a post-mortem revealed she had died of deep incised wounds to the head and legs, and haemorrhage.

Fung was a prominent jockey and rode Lovely Star for second place in the Army Handicap on the previous Tuesday. He was due to have ridden today.

As a water polo player he had figured in important matches and taken a prominent part in many swimming carnivals. He is proprietor of the Green Island Cement Company, being connected with the firm for many years.

Mr. Fung died on the following Thursday morning.

Plane Unloaded. Vain attempts to locate the missing C.N.A.C. Douglas airliner have been made during the last 10 days by searching planes sent out from Hongkong.

Poor visibility owing to bad weather conditions, has made searching most difficult.

The missing plane was piloted by Pilot Jose Thom, an American-born Chinese with some 7,000 flying hours to his credit. His co-pilot was Paul Ching, who has had 5,000 hours in the air.

The missing machine chartered for a trip, left Hongkong at 2 p.m. on February 12 and was in radio communication with Chungking until 10 a.m. when a message was transmitted stating that engine trouble was being experienced. The radio suddenly stopped and nothing has since been heard of the machine. It is feared that the plane may have crashed. Weather conditions were very bad at the time the last message was sent out.

Immigration Commission. It is officially revealed that His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, is to head the Commission appointed by His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieut.-General E. F. Norton, to investigate allegations made against the Immigration Department.

The Commission, which is composed of four members including Mr. David Drummond, Oriental Manager of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Mr. C. B. Brown, A.G.A., of Messrs. Linstead and Davis, and Mr. Woo, of Messrs. Woo and Woo, Solicitors.

It is learned that the Commission will commence its duties immediately.

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Review Of The Principal Topics February 23 To March 1

Wednesday

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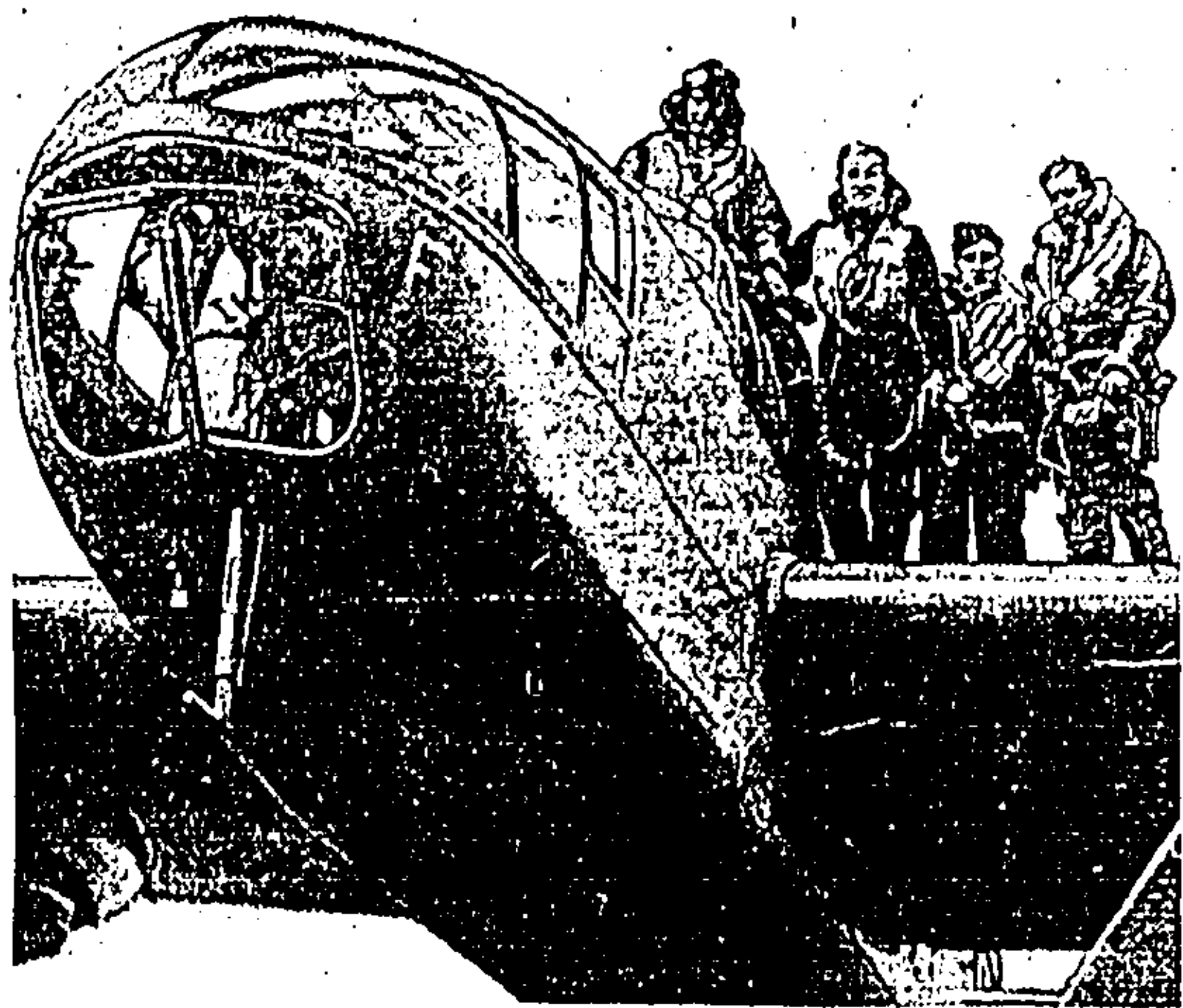
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AT THE CROSSROADS

ALTHOUGH a number of leading Japanese statesmen and the Japanese press have for some time past allowed themselves to adopt a menacing tone towards Britain and the United States, these two countries have persistently refrained from adopting a similar and all too easy method of retaliation, which, they wisely recognise, could only lead to further recrimination and bad feeling. Japan has, perhaps misunderstood and regarded this restraint as a definite indication of weakness, but whatever excuse there may have been for such an interpretation in the past, it is hardly conceivable that so mistaken an idea could be entertained now.

It is true that neither Britain nor the United States seek war with Japan—they have not sought war with anyone. Both countries are even anxious to avert it, but not to the extent that they are not prepared to take their stand should Japan threaten those territories whose integrity must remain inviolate. Japanese threats have indeed had the beneficial effect of jerking the American people out of their dreams of isolation to the realisation that preparations for defence must be thoroughly undertaken. The United States formerly was reluctant to take any action that could be construed as hostile, but Japan has more than any other nation, changed this point of view.

Japan stands to-day at the parting of the ways. She is faced with a grave decision and from either direction the prospect is none too rosy. Lured by the hope of an easy conquest in unorganised China, her people find themselves to-day after 4 years of fighting reduced to an almost unbearable state of poverty. Bluffed, cajoled, and flattered by Germany, the country has been turned into a condition which borders on despair. The war of nerves which the Germans have played so successfully in various countries in Europe is being used in another form, in Japan, whose statesmen are being lured by promises which, at the best, can only be regarded as doubtful. It is one of the strange phenomena of the present war that though there has not been one single instance in which co-operation with Germany has proved successful—except for Germany itself—yet each victim in turn, enticed by false promises, has imagined that it will prove the exception. Even Italy, still quoted as the partner of Germany, has become the slave rather than the equal. It is plain to all that at the moment it suits Hitler's purpose to carry on the delusion that the European Axis still holds good, whereas it is equally clear that once he has attained his objective Italy will become as Rumania or any other conquered country.

In the last European war Japan was an ally of Britain and Russia. Her prosperity and progress date from that time. Since then, inspired by dreams of greater grandeur, she has thrown in her lot with Germany,

TO-DAY the "Hongkong Telegraph" begins a momentous series of articles, written by outstanding experts, on subjects which vitally affect every man, woman and child in the world. Written by war commentators with world-wide reputations, these articles will examine the chief problems that confront us in this Year of Destiny.

FIRST in the series discusses the issues raised by President Roosevelt's latest speeches . . .

Will America Enter the War?

By Alistair Cooke

Famous transatlantic broadcaster whose voice is known to millions of listeners.

ACTUALLY America is already in the war.

The only tests of neutrality we law-worshipping nations know are those of The Hague Convention and a respect for international law.

Ever since the United States decided last June to give Britain from her own stock half-a-million rifles, 80,000 machine-guns, and 750 field artillery pieces, she could no longer be reckoned as a neutral.

Since Dunkirk, then, she has been a "non-combatant belligerent," and her most gnawing headaches have come from trying to legalise, through her Neutrality Act, the very powerful and un-neutral contribution she has made and is making.

Does It Matter?

If, however, you are anxious to know whether America is going to declare war, probably only God and President Roosevelt can tell you. Only God would want to.

Anyway, it is a matter of surprising unimportance. But it will cause a lot of mischief as people go on thinking an American declaration of war would mark a change from idleness to prodigious activity.

It would not make any such change, and everybody who tantalises himself with this day-dream has failed to understand the ways of modern war, the reality of the effort America is making, and the sort of stake she has in the post-war world.

Let us examine the question.

Peace to War

Almost the most unconventional act of the present war was the declaration of war made by Britain and France.

Japan still prefers to regard her nine years of looting, bombing, and systematic campaigning as the "China Incident."

Russia did not make war on Poland or Finland in the old sense, and Germany has yet to declare war on Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Denmark, Norway, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg.

Her part in the carving up of Rumania was that of "adviser." This indifference to the gentlemanly rules of war has been one of the great successes of totalitarian strategy.

Hitler chooses to declare nothing and to keep everybody in a state of tension and terror. The United States, however, believe that two can play at that game, and President Roosevelt especially is an adept.

So while we deplore the fact that Germany never learned to play cricket, it is worth reminding ourselves that America is at the moment taking full advantage of the very same failing.

America, too, is not bothering herself with declarations. Instead, she goes ahead, giving to Britain all sorts of help which in the world before 1917 would have constituted positive acts of war.

Consequently, international law in these times has all the force and authority of a rabbit's

So far this alliance has not brought the expected happiness nor prosperity to the Japanese people, and they would do well to remember that the threatened advance southwards, though guided by German propaganda, would expose them to still greater dangers.

foot. It belongs to the pre-war world, which includes also definitions of "war entry."

It does not help us to appreciate the part America is playing.

The Germans were also the first to realise that civilians—that is, the families of the fighting men, and the mechanics, and the diplomats—are all equally effective cogs in the machine of total war, and must be so organised.

It is true that to-day no American sailor is tossing depth charges after German submarines, but it is a mistake, too, to think of him as lolling in Hawaii with attractive brunettes.

Pacific "Longstop"

He's in the war—moreover, in Britain's war—for he is in the Pacific playing longstop to the British Navy, which is busy elsewhere.

If he were not there, it is very likely that the men in the factories of Ohio and New Jersey would be powerless to go to work on British orders for planes and tanks and guns, because nearly all the rubber and tin that is vital to the armaments industry comes from the Dutch East Indies.

The Japanese Navy is keeping a sharp eye on the Dutch East Indies. And the American sailors are keeping a sharp eye on the Japanese Navy.

They will stay on watch until synthetic rubber production in the United States is really humming and the Indies need no longer be prized as the gem of the Pacific.

America has a big Navy, but it is not big enough to split. It is not big enough, for instance, to ease America's great anxiety over the Panama Canal.

Through that narrow lane of water part of the Pacific fleet would have to dash to stop Germany taking over Martinique or French Guiana if the Petain regime should go down in complete surrender.

Busy Preparing

America painfully needs a second Navy, but though she is hammering away at overtime to build one, it is an unavoidable fact that a "battle-ship" takes four years to make.

To defend her own shores alone she is in equally painful need of planes, tanks, A.A. equipment, rifles, uniforms, and most of the other weapons of defence.

If Germany were now to declare war on her, and she was compelled to defend her merchant ships against U-boats, her harbours against raiders, the Panama Canal against fatal sabotage, there is no denying that America would go on a complete and frenzied war footing.

She would thereby increase her armaments production, but not as much as she would need to satisfy the new calls on her supplies.

She would, indeed, have much less to spare for Britain and China, and might be bluntly compelled to say so.

America is fully alive to these dangers and is preparing as feverishly for total defence as if actual battle were to be done next month on the plains of Texas or in the waters of Chesapeake Bay.

Her armament workers are in this war as grimly as they will ever be. You may say that America is doing this for her own safety. So she is—but the point is that if she were doing it primarily for Britain she would be doing the same things at the same speed.

Since America is arming with all her might against the very enemy that Britain is now resisting, and since President Roosevelt makes no bones about naming and despising that enemy, you might be tempted to assume that America's interest in this war is on all counts the same as Britain's.

In many ways it is—she believes in the same institutions, the same type of government, the same freedoms.

RIDDLES OF 1941



ALISTAIR COOKE

If she had an army—which she has not—a two-ocean navy, thousands of idle pilots, and fifty thousand immobile planes, she would be irresistibly tempted to extend her war effort to Europe.

For the United States is a nation at all times susceptible to moral crusades and proud of her technical skill.

By the middle of 1942, she will have the means to indulge this mood, if Britain is by then still holding out in an indecisive war.

America has now been enlisted to see the true position, for President Roosevelt's recent speeches have sounded the most stirring clarion since his first fireside talk in the dark days of 1933.

On the diplomatic front the United States proceeds on the audacious premise that it does not exist. But make no mistake, America is at war with the Nazis and Fascists.

They'll Be Used

It is not down on the books yet, simply because the Germans, for their own good reasons, have not cared to cry: "Halt! Who goes there?"

Sometime this year they may. They may decide to wage undeclared submarine warfare on American shipping. That would put an end to diplomatic relations between Germany and the United States which are maintained to-day only because they are ignored.

You would then marvel at how deep America was in, and wonder when she first entered the war. The answer would be: Immediately after Dunkirk.

Besieged Britain has one other consolation, though it is of a philosophical sort, and hence less acceptable in wartime than anti-aircraft guns or fresh vegetables.

It is simply this: There is no record in history of a nation amassing weapons of war and then throwing them into the dustbin. Once you commit yourself to them, somehow they tend to get used.

To-morrow:

WILL HITLER INVADE BRITAIN?

by Major E. W. Sheppard,
famous writer on Army
affairs; formerly a staff
officer and a tank officer,
now the new Military
correspondent of the
"Daily Herald"

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE

It's a funny thing . .

I SAW Old Silence looking at the stars. The sky was very beautiful. A great white moon hung over a pale, solemn earth.

"You must not laugh at what they call 'love at first sight.' Two people meet and instantly recognise the fact that each is what the other has been looking for."

"You look sad," I said.

"Just thinking," he replied.

"Of home?"

"I haven't a home. I move about and live here and there."

"Family?"

"I have no family."

I could only say: "Ah."

After a while, Old Silence spoke again, half to himself.

"Nor have I any friends," he said.

"Three months ago, if I had suddenly been wiped off the face of the earth, there would have been nobody to care."

"I volunteered for the Army; I wanted to get away into a new life. Then, all of a sudden, I fell in love with a woman, and she fell in love with me."

"It happened in forty-eight hours. It was one of those things two people wander through life on separate paths, without purpose as it seems. Then they meet, and the whole meaning of their lives becomes perfectly clear."

"I met her by chance. Life became beautiful, full of new things; it was like being born into daylight. I never thought it possible to fall in love as much as that. In fact, I used to think that love was something which people exaggerated for the purpose of making stories and films."

"But I can tell you, now, that writers and actors cannot convey one thousandth part of the real meaning of love. True love is too deep for expression. Do you understand?"

"I understand," I said.

"Then," he went on, "after I had known her only three days, I was called up. And here I am. And there she is. My body is here, and it does what I tell it to do—my duty. But my soul is there; and I feel an emptiness, a kind of pain which will not go away. We write to each other every day. We'll meet again. But . . ."

He laughed forlornly. There was quiet for a while; the great, deep silence of a calm winter night. "This war is a strange, and kind of beginning to many beautiful things yet to come, by God's grace," said Old Silence.

An air raid warning sounded, and we reached for our rifles.

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People's Political Council Session In Chungking

CHUNGKING, Mar. 2 (Central News).—The first plenary session of the 2nd People's Political Council was opened in Chungking at 9 a.m. yesterday morning with 193 members in attendance. Dr Chang Po-ling was Provisional Chairman.

It may be recalled that the 2nd People's Political Council was organised last November as an advisory organ following the postponement of the National People's Assembly which was originally scheduled to be convened on November 12 last year.

Among the members present at the opening ceremony were Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Bishop Paul Yu Pin, Aw Boon-hay, Tsoo Tao-fen, Professor Chang Chung-fu, Wang Hsiao-lai, Mai Sze-teh, Chen Hsi-meng, Pi Chung-shih, Lo Lung-chi, Chow Tao-kang, Wang Chia-chen, Li Hsien-keng, Chang Shih-chao, Tung Kuan-hsien, General Chang Chih-chiang, Dr Lo Wen-tan, Tam Ping-shan, Shen Chun-ju, Tso Hsun-sheng, Kiang Yung, Dr Carson Chang and Professor Liang Shih-chiu.

Women members present included Misses Wu Yi-fang, Hsieh Ping-hsin, Shih Liang, Liu Heng-ching, Wang Li-ming and Wu Chih-mei.

A three-minute silence for the Chinese soldiers and civilians killed in the war was observed.

Presidium Elected

After the opening speech by Dr Chang Po-ling, Mr Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek delivered their speeches of admonition and Mr Chow Tso-kang replied on behalf of the members.

Following the opening ceremony, a preliminary meeting for the first session was held for electing a presidium of five in accordance with Articles 10 of the Revised Organic Law of the People's Political Council. Those elected were Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Dr Chang Po-ling, Mr Tso Hsun-sheng, Dr Carson Chang and Miss Wu Yi-fang.

Dr Wang Wen-hao, Minister of Economic Affairs, made a report on economic affairs during the same period. He reviewed in particular governmental encouragement of industries and mining, control over important materials, improvement of navigation and water conservancy, and the increase of China's production.

Many queries were made by the members of the Council to which Dr Wang Chung-hui and Dr Wang Wen-hao promised to give written replies.

Foreign Exchange For Chinese

Chungking Decision

CHUNGKING, Mar. 2 (Reuters).—It was officially stated to-night that the Central Bank, under instructions from the Ministry of Finance, can resume buying and selling of foreign exchange to meet legitimate requirements.

Previously foreign exchange could be obtained in Shanghai and Hongkong on approved applications, and the new ruling will make foreign exchange available to the public in the interior of China at both the official and commercial rates.

Since the wording of the official statement is so vague, it is impossible to ascertain the motive behind the action.

One Chinese source claims that the step will minimise the importance of Hongkong and Shanghai in foreign exchange dealings since hereafter it will not be necessary for foreign firms to apply in Hongkong and Shanghai to obtain foreign exchange but may do so in Chungking.

Another theory is that the action may lead to the removal of the Chinese Stabilisation Fund control body from Hongkong and Shanghai to Chungking, while another theory claims that it may result in the eventual withdrawal of the Central Bank from foreign exchange dealings in Shanghai and Hongkong.

Pilot Downs Three Planes

Singlehanded

CAIRO, Mar. 2 (Reuters).—A fighter pilot of the R.A.F., flying alone over the Telepini area in Albania, sighted five Italian fighters. He immediately engaged the enemy and shot down three, the other two breaking off the combat.

This incident is reported in to-day's R.A.F. Middle East Headquarters communique, which says that bomber and fighter aircraft were again busy on Saturday in support of the Greek Army operations in Albania.

The communique adds: "At Valona bombs were dropped on an ammunition dump and military barracks. Bomber formations also successfully attacked Berat. Buildings were hit and large fires were started. Enemy positions at Buzi were also attacked."

Cruel Injuries Feature Sessions Murder Trial

The discovery of two men with terrible injuries in the godown of the Chung Wah Book Company at 3 Gilman's Bazaar, off Queen's Road Central, on December 5, was recalled at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when Ho Sung-hei, 32, was charged before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, with the murder of Woo Tong-chiu, 29.

Mr J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Inspector L. R. Whant, is for the prosecution, and Accused is defended by Mr H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr J. M. Hall.

Jury members are: Messrs T. H. Lunson (Foreman), D. Lyon, A. Black, E. F. Passos, V. S. Mamuk, G. Gerrard and A. W. W. Salter.

Mr Reynolds said that Woo came to Hongkong in February last year when he joined the Chung Wah Book Company as an accountant in their branch office at 69 Queen's Road Central. Another person who was found dead at the same time as Woo was Wong Sung-ka, who worked in the same premises as a probationary salesman. Accused was employed by the firm as a probationary salesman on September 22 last and he did his work at the stationery counter with Woo.

Slept In Cockloft

Continuing, Counsel said that for the past seven or eight years, the Company had premises also on the ground floor of 3 Gilman's Bazaar, which they used as a store for books. This store had two entrances, one at the front, which was only opened when large quantities of books were moved, and the other at the back, which was fitted with a Yale lock and pad-lock. Above the premises was a cockloft and since February, 1940 both Woo and Wong had slept there continuously. The keys of this store were kept by Woo.

Mr Reynolds next described the layout of the premises at 69 Queen's Road Central, and said that the employees who slept on the ground floor of this building had instructions from the manager not to admit or let anyone out after midnight except for some very urgent reason.

At 6 p.m. on December 4, Accused told Cheung Cheuk-sun, one of the gatekeepers, that he might be returning late that night and asked him to open the gates for him. Cheung at first refused but eventually agreed to do so. About an hour later, Accused went to the cashier, Ng Pak-ku and borrowed \$2, saying that he was in a hurry to buy something.

Neither of the dead men was in the shop at any time after the closing hour but at 11.15 p.m. Wong came in with a thermos flask which he frequently brought back for boiling water. Wong remained in the premises for about ten minutes after

the original pilots of Imperial Airways, who had flown 1,000,000 miles without a major accident, had died after crashing while "ferrying" a plane for Air Transport Auxiliary.

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Parisians Boycott Nazi Conquerors

NEW YORK, Mar. 2 (Reuters).—Derision and boycott are being used most effectively by the people of Paris as weapons against the Germans in the French capital, according to messages reaching the "New York Times."

The Germans no longer dare to break through the food queues of housewives outside the shops and carry off food as they did a few months ago.

Because of Nazi propaganda, the public is losing the habit of reading the newspapers or going to cinemas, but when they do they engage the Germans by their sneers and derisive laughter at the news films.

Boycotting takes the form of avoiding the slightest contact with the Germans.

Correspondents add that everybody listens to the news bulletins broadcast daily in French from London. "Loyalty to England is striking. The people dream of nothing but British victory."

Only twice have the Germans dared to sound the alert, it is stated, because when warning was given of British planes overhead, Parisians displayed so much joy that the Germans now deem it wiser to keep them uninformed.

MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

South China Assume Leadership Army Beat Navy 12-8 In Fast And Exciting Game

Royal Navy Trounced 4-1 At Causeway Bay Yesterday

(By "SCRAMBLER")

THEIR HESITANCY TO go for the ball and their weak and inaccurate passes throughout the game were the contributory factors that led to the Navy's 4-1 defeat by South China, when they met yesterday at Causeway Bay, in the Senior Division yesterday. Against a solid defence, Navy persisted in short tapping passes, which more often than not, were frustrated before they had time to become effective.

Deserved Victory

On the whole South China thoroughly deserved their win, for they played the better brand of football, often inveigling Navy's defence into a false position to bring off a coup. The two insidemen lent admirable aid both in defence and attack, for they adopted the "W" formation throughout, and because of the fact that Lee Wai-tong was given the most attention, both Chan Tak-fai and Chow Man-chi were given plenty of work to do in which to excel.

South China made good use of their wingers. The attack indulged in many intricate moves, and had the Navy defenders on the wrong foot whenever on the move. As stated, Navy paid far too much attention to Lee Wai-tong, with the result that most dangers emanated from the wingers, due to good approach work on the part of both Chan Tak-fai and Chow Man-chi. The latter was very prominent with his footwork. Both wingers were good, and did what were required of them.

In defence, the wing halves, Lau Hing-choy and Lau Chung-sang co-operated well with the backs, covering and positioning well. Lam Tak-po throughout played the role of a third back, since the two wing halves were backing him up. Between the three of them, they had the Navy attacks smothered.

Tam Prominent

The pair of backs tackled and cleared well, and because of the good work put in by their front men, they were not half as much overworked as their opposite pair. Tam Kwan-hon was in one of his merry moods, bringing off many daring saves, several of which looked like certain ones.

The Navy team did not impress as a whole, being disorganised. As stated they were far too loose in the attack, and coupled with the fact that they were unable to keep to their feet, they were never really dangerous.

The pair of backs, Roughley and O'Regan were sound, but found that the short passing game of the Chinese which alternated with the long passing methods adopted later in the game was too much for them. Gift was not so very safe, and his handling of the ball on many occasions revealed that he lacks the qualities of his predecessor.

Hazard's Policy

Hazard played a tireless game in the key-post, but his policy of

shadowing Lee Wai-tong afforded the Chinese inside forwards far too much room to move about. At times he played the third back, and despite the close attention paid to Lee Wai-tong, the latter scored the best goal of the match with a left footed drive.

The wing halves were unable to come with the fleet footed Chinese wingers. Paul had a better command over Lee Shek-yau than did Hawkins, but by kicking hard, whereas Hawkins held on to his short passing game. Because of Paul's first time clearances, Navy obtained the only goal scored by them.

In attack, Navy were way behind the Chinese, being slow when in possession, and allowed the Chinese to rob them before they had time to settle down. Barber was a great trier, but found little or no support from his men, even Henry did not appear to be at all happy. Le Page worked hard, but the wingers were palpably weak, Skinner being the worse of two. On the whole, they were unable to move as a unit, although splashes of brilliance were seen from the individuals.

Even Play

Play opened very evenly as both keepers were visited in turn. Tam Kwan-hon saved from Henry and at the other end, Gift cleared from Lee Shek-yau. Navy were unable to settle down due to the heavy condition of the ground, and were given a hard time by South China's forwards, who were playing more to their wingers.

In an attack on the Navy goal, Lee Wai-tong was bundled off the ball by Roughley in the area, and from the ensuing "spot-kick" he made no mistake. This reverse appeared to have a demoralising effect on the Navy lads, and they fell away somewhat to allow South China to dominate play. Only the keen watch kept by Roughley, O'Regan and Hazard kept them from further scoring.

After a bout of midfield play, Tam saved from Le Page, and Lau Chung-sang sent the ball to Lee Shek-yau, who, evading the advancing Roughley, sent in a high shot which Gift failed to hold. Navy at this stage

Bad Weather Mars Week-end Softball Tilts

BAD WEATHER, which made conditions most unpleasant, considerably marred the week-end softball matches at the Kowloon Football Club. The rather cold and brisk wind had effect on fielding.

The major match of the day, St Joseph's ball-hawks against the youthful Cyclones, proved somewhat a walk-over for the Saints, for in the first, third and fourth innings they had tallied 2-3-3 (their total), and to this the Cyclones added with a solitary tally in the fourth frame. Canuckettes blanked out the Chung Hwa to win 11-0 while the Mohawks decimated the Filipinos 10-0.

Girls

Canuckettes 11, Chung Hwa 0.
Ramblers 22, Las Florinas 0.

Major League

St Joseph 8, Cyclones 1.
Chinese 8, Canucks 2.
Mohawks 10, Filipinos 0.

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peristed in far too much short passing.

Second Half

After the change over, Barber went through on his own, but his passing shot which had Tam Kwan-hon beaten was stopped by Tsang Chung-wan. Again going into the attack, Anderson when well placed shot behind. Forcing a corner on the left, South China went further ahead when Chan Tak-fai headed neatly past Gift.

Following upon pressure by South China which was relieved by Lee Tak-kee sending behind, Henry went through on his own, and his shot was nicely held by Tam Kwan-hon. Breaking away from an attack, Lee Tak-kee sent across a nice centre and Chow Man-chi deftly passed to Lee Wai-tong, who manoeuvred into position to send in a pile driver with his left foot that had Gift beaten all the way.

Thereafter, the Navy went into the attack, and many individual efforts were wasted by the players' inability to go through. However after Tam Kwan-hon had saved repeatedly, Le Page sent in a slow shot that had the Chinese custodian beaten all the way, although Tsang Chung-wan made a desperate effort to save it.

NAVY: Gift; Roughley, O'Regan; Paul, Hazard, Hawkins; Anderson, Le Page, Henry, Barber, Skinner.

SOUTH CHINA: Tam Kwan-hon; Tsang Chung-wan, Tse Kam-hung; Lau Hing-choy, Lam Tak-po, Lau Chung-sang; Lee Tak-kee, Chan Tak-fai, Lee Wai-tong, Chow Man-chi, Lee Shek-yau.

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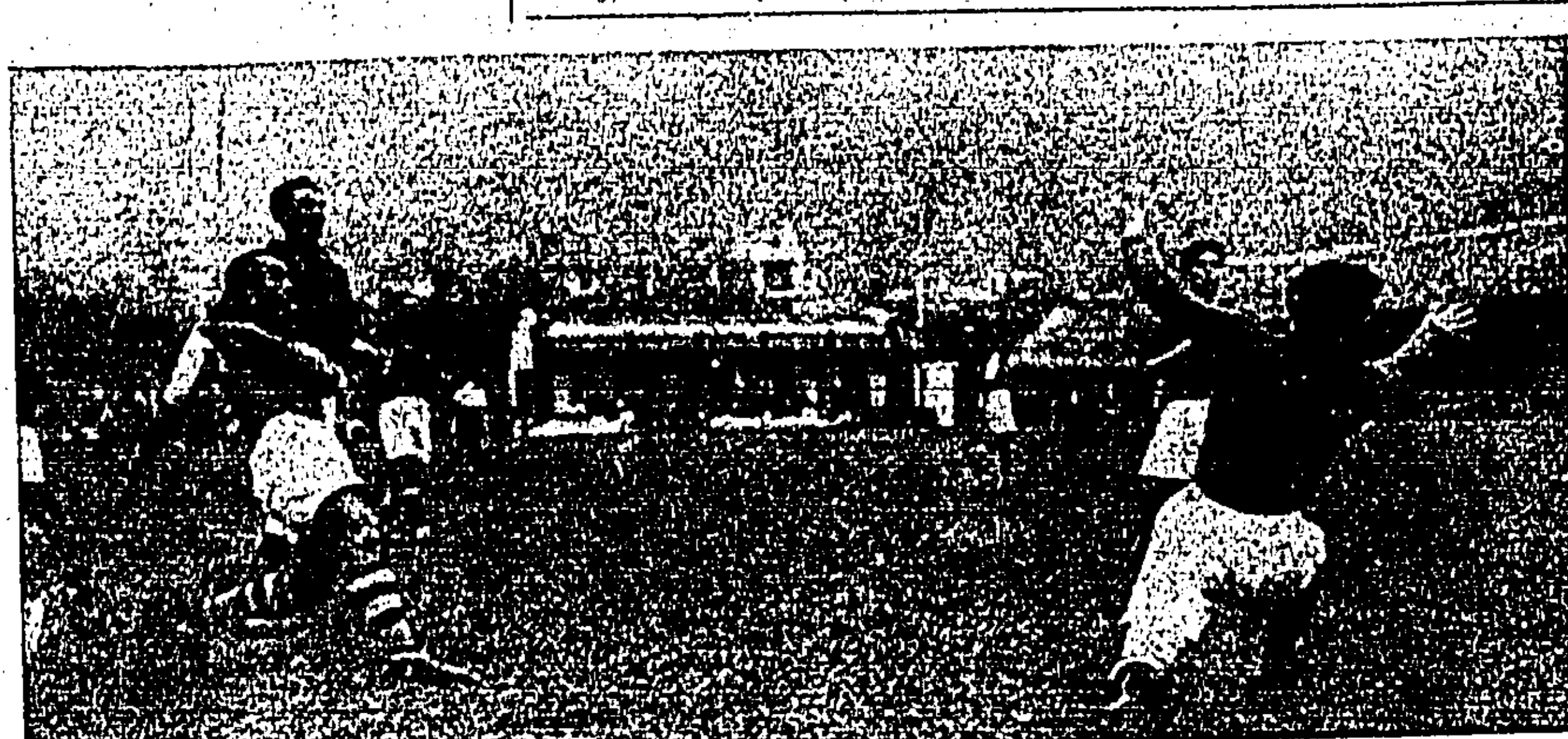
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Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held, weather permitting, on Saturday, 15th March, 1941, (postponed from Saturday, 8th March, 1941) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 6th March, 1941.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

ALMOST A GOAL



Chan Tak-fai (South China) takes a snap shot at goal, but just wide. Gift (Navy) dived but was beaten.—Ming Yuen.

Excellent Times At La Salle College Sports

DESPITE bad weather, a large crowd of spectators were present at the running of the La Salle College annual athletic sports on the College ground on Saturday. Times were good, though the track was sodden and heavy. Three records were broken.

L. Silva took 13 seconds off the old record in the 1,000 metres for seniors by clocking 5 mins. 5 2/5 secs, and A. Sandberg who rode a fine race in the two miles bicycle event returned a time of 8 mins. 32 secs. to better the old record by 24 secs. Both Silva and Sandberg won their respective races with ease and in fine style. In the 800 metres for juniors, E. Tavares took half a second off the previous record of 2 mins. 27 1/2 secs.

A. P. Silva won the Senior championship, J. R. Pereira the Junior championship and L. Sequeira was the Midges champion (Challenge Cup).

At the conclusion of Saturday's events, the prizes were presented by Bishop H. Valenti.

RESULTS

Following were the results of Saturday's competitions:

Senior 400 metres (Challenge Cup presented by the Wing On Company): A. P. Silva, 2 mins. 10 2/5 secs. Mackenzie, 2 mins. 12 2/5 secs. Junior 100 metres: J. R. Pereira, 2 mins. 10 2/5 secs. Junior 200 metres: J. R. Pereira, 2 mins. 21 2/5 secs. Junior 400 metres: J. R. Pereira, 2 mins. 27 1/2 secs. Junior 800 metres: E. Tavares, 2 mins. 27 1/2 secs. Junior 1,000 metres: L. Silva, 5 mins. 5 2/5 secs. Junior 1,200 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 10 2/5 secs. Junior 1,400 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 15 2/5 secs. Junior 1,600 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 20 2/5 secs. Junior 1,800 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 25 2/5 secs. Junior 2,000 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 30 2/5 secs. Junior 2,200 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 35 2/5 secs. Junior 2,400 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 40 2/5 secs. Junior 2,600 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 45 2/5 secs. Junior 2,800 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 50 2/5 secs. Junior 3,000 metres: L. Silva, 6 mins. 55 2/5 secs. Junior 3,200 metres: L. Silva, 7 mins. 0 2/5 secs. Junior 3,400 metres: L. 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By Ernie Bushmiller

IMPORTANT GAIN IN ERITREA

British Capture Key Pass

CAIRO, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—British northern forces in Eritrea yesterday captured an important pass covering the approach to Keren, which is an Italian stronghold on high mountain land and the military key to the conquest of the whole colony.

A British communique, recording this capture, also reports satisfactory development of operations in the whole of Italian Somaliland.

In Abyssinia, further progress has been made along the road to Gondar. In the Goffam province, Abyssinian patriot forces have inflicted considerable losses on the Italian garrison of Burge, which attempted a sortie with cavalry and infantry.

Aerial Machine-Gunning
CAIRO, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Dealing with Italian East Africa, an R.A.F. communique states: "Bomber aircraft attacked enemy positions in the neighbourhood of Keren."

"Another of our bombers machine-gunned two Caproni 133s at Alamuta on the Dessie-Asmara road and the enemy aircraft were burnt out."

"Our aircraft then bombed and machine-gunned motor transport vehicles on air aerodrome and on a road near the town."

"From all operations, our aircraft returned safely."

Victory For French Troops
LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Kufra, a north Libyan oasis, surrendered to Free French troops on March 1 and yielded 1,000 prisoners.

Mr Eden In Athens
ATHENS, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, and General Sir John Dill, Chief of Imperial General Staff, have arrived here by air after conversations in Turkey.

Air Force Figures

Britain Keeps The Upper Hand

LONDON, Mar. 2 (British Wireless).—During the week ended midnight on Saturday, six German aircraft were brought down over and around Britain and seven over Europe.

Two British aircraft were lost over and around Britain and 12 in offensive operations against the enemy from this country.

In the Middle East theatre of the war, the British air force lost six machines and the enemy 50, of which 20 were brought down in the air.

Nine enemy aircraft were destroyed on the ground in this theatre of war. In addition the Navy accounted for six enemy planes, of which five were brought down in the central Mediterranean on February 24.

Wall Collapses, Kills Woman

A wall in Fung Wah Street, Kowloon, which is in the course of reconstruction, collapsed this morning and a 40-year-old Chinese woman was buried beneath the debris and was instantly killed.

"The Great Dictator"

To Be Shown At Colony's Modernised Theatre

The number of first-run cinema houses in the Colony will be augmented by the Lee Theatre which, having recently undergone extensive renovation and redecoration, will open on Friday evening with the premiere of Charlie Chaplin's new film, "The Great Dictator."

Hongkong has long awaited the showing of this picture, which has been described as the most amusing that Chaplin has ever produced. It has played to capacity houses in New York and London, and received the enthusiastic plaudits of critics and general public.

The film is a gigantic skit on Hitler and Mussolini, with Chaplin in the role of Adenoid Hynkel and Jack Oakie as the rival dictator, Benito Napolini.

Redecorated Theatre

The claims made regarding the comfort and other advantages of the Lee Theatre were found to be amply justified when a private show was arranged for the press yesterday morning. Excellent acoustics, clear vision from every point in the house, a simple and restful decorative scheme and up-to-date air conditioning are points which cannot be added to an audience's enjoyment.

A long list of notable pictures has been lined up by the management, including "Rebecca," which recently won the Academy Award for the best picture of 1940, Alexander Korda's "Life of Lord Nelson," with Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh, Bernard Shaw's "Major Barbara," "Foreign Correspondent," and "The Long Voyage Home," an adaptation of Eugene O'Neill's sea stories.

Bulgarian Decision Explained

Nazis Admit Troops Have Taken Over

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—According to the German news agency, Professor Filoff, the Bulgarian Prime Minister, in a statement on the German entry into Bulgaria, said:

"The Reich Government has expressed consideration of the existing treaties of friendship we have concluded with our neighbours which emphasise the peaceful policies of Bulgaria."

"In the present European situation, after weighing all the circumstances, and led, above all, by the wish to safeguard the vital rights of our people and the country and after receiving assurances that the existing law and order in the country would be maintained in the highest degree, the Bulgarian Government has decided to agree to the request of the Reich Government."

"The Bulgarian Government declares that the presence of German troops in the country in no way changes the country policy of Bulgaria, who is determined to refrain from any attack and from any measures that threaten the interests of anyone."

"The Bulgarian Government feels that their action will be rightly understood by all and approved by the Balkan people."

The German news agency adds that the Bulgarian Chamber has approved the statement of the Prime Minister by an absolute majority.

Communique

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—The German High Command to-day issued the following communique about the entry of German troops into Bulgaria:

"As a safeguard against British measures in south-eastern Europe, which have become known, formations of German troops began to march into Bulgaria on March 2 with the consent of the Royal Bulgarian Government."

"As the German troops were marching in, they were cheered by the Bulgarian people."

"Protection"

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—The entry of German troops into Bulgaria was officially admitted in Berlin for the first time to-day.

A German Foreign Office announcement states: "In agreement with the Bulgarian Government, German troops have just crossed the Bulgarian frontier in order to protect Bulgaria from Britain's scheme to spread the war to the Balkans."

Hitler's Telegram

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Hitler to-day sent a telegram to King Boris of Bulgaria, saying "I beg Your Majesty to accept my most cordial wishes for your well-being and for the happy future of Bulgaria in this hour, in which Bulgaria has reaffirmed her attachment to Germany, Italy and Japan."

London Envoy Resigns

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent learns that the Bulgarian Minister in London has telegraphically tendered his resignation to the Bulgarian Government.

Rendel Received

VICTY, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Dispatches received here from Sofia state that the British Minister to Bulgaria, Mr. George Rendel, was received by King Boris this afternoon and that the British military attaché has left Bulgaria.

Ironical

SOFA, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—While German troops continued to march across the frontier, Bulgaria to-day began celebrations of her National Independence Day which falls to-morrow.

Sofia is perfectly calm and as usual large crowds are strolling on the main streets in brilliant sunshine. All public buildings are hung with Bulgarian flags and there is little to remind the people of the momentous happenings behind the scenes except the occasional appearance of uniformed German troops.

Congratulations

TOKYO, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Congratulations on Bulgaria's accession to the Tripartite Pact have been sent by Mr. Yonake Matsuo, the Japanese Foreign Minister, to Herr von Ribbentrop (German Foreign Minister), Count Ciano (Italian Foreign Minister) and M. Popoff (Bulgarian Foreign Minister).

U-Boat Threat Not So Serious

Experts' Opinion

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Hitler's new war on Britain's sea-borne commerce may be expected to be launched with between 120 U-boats actually available for service but the attack can be maintained by only one third of that number, says the "Sunday Times" naval correspondent.

Some highly exaggerated figures about the output of new boats from German yards have been put into circulation, he says, probably from Berlin as a move in the war of nerves.

A total ranging from 600 to 1,000 craft has been mentioned. It may be as well to say definitely and unambiguously that such figures are fantastic. They are a multiplication by five or ten of the possible output of German shipbuilding yards in a twelve-month span.

Submarines cannot be mass-produced, writes the correspondent. There is much work demanding skilled and patient handwork. Furthermore, the supply of skilled workers is limited and there is no evidence that the Nazis have recruited extra hands from the countries they have over-run.

Problem of Slips

Finally there is the problem of space. The number of building slips on which Germany can lay down vessels of 200 to 300 feet in length is pretty accurately known, and even though the yards of occupied countries were used, there were still not enough to have taken anything like 600 keels in the past year.

At a general calculation there might have been a programme of 150 new U-boats in hand in recent months. But between the blue print and the ship at sea there is a big gulf as the German Navy found in the last war when it was able to complete about only half the boats for which contracts were optimistically placed.

We may think (says the correspondent) that Hitler's new war on sea-borne commerce will be launched with between 100 and 120 boats actually available for service.

Necessary Deductions

At first glance that number appears formidable but the number available is not necessarily the number active in the front line. There are many deductions to be made. For example, the submarine school at Kiel needs several for training new crews.

It is probable that some 4,000 men are undergoing intensive training and to give even a quarter of that number experience under way for a week, some 20 boats must be detached from the fighting fleet. That figure is no mere guess; it is the actual total of the training boats attached to the school at the height of the 1917 campaign.

The whole number of craft available cannot be maintained at sea at the same time and practical experience shows that about one-third of the available craft can be on active service in any one week, one third resting and the other one third undergoing extensive repairs.

Volunteer Camp Washed Out

The Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps was washed out of Fanling Camp last night by a very heavy downpour which soaked most of the kit.

This morning the whole camp including No. 2 and 3 Companies, Mobile Column, Engineers, Army Service Corps, Signals and Field Ambulance, returned home to get a change of clothing.

The men have been ordered to report for training again to-morrow at Headquarters where the remainder of the week's "camp" training will be finished.

Five firewood store folds, including a 10-year-old girl, were charged before Mr. A. N. Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning with retailing firewood at excess rates. They were each fined \$25.

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7.10 London Relay—The News.
7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Working Together."

7.30 Variety.
7.40 Studio—Talk by Mrs. N. L. Smith on the Chinese N.W.C.A.

7.45 Variety continued.
8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 This week's programmes.
8.07 Quentin Maclean at the Organ, Babbling (Quentin Maclean), China Doll Parade (Zamecnik).

8.15 London Relay—"Ill, Gang!"
9.0 London Relay—The News.
9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.30 Dance Music by Jack Harris & His Orchestra.
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11.0 Close down.

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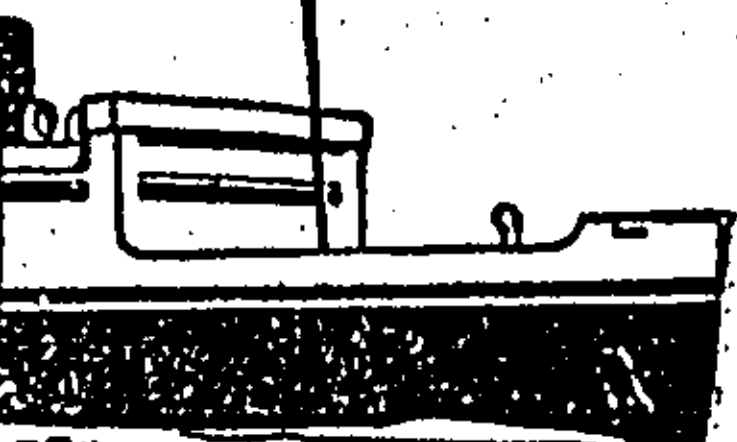
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GRAVE BALKANS SITUATION

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streets. The normal night life of the Capital went on without incident. A new atmosphere is being created, and large arrows have been placed in the lobby of the largest hotel which indicate the basement air raid shelters.

Inquiries made by correspondents among all classes of Bulgarians revealed that they were plegmatically regarding the appearance of the Germans. I saw only one swastika which was flying above the German Chancery. On Sunday morning, there was no militarised marching by German legions. None of the troops seen on Saturday carried rifles or full battle kits. I saw only two mud covered troop trucks parked in front of the hotel which the people inspected curiously. The local police have been augmented and I saw more than the usual number of mounted police riding in pairs throughout the town. The main gate of the British Legation was openly guarded.

Cologne Factories Bombed Yet Again

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night's attack on Cologne was most successful. Three British planes are missing.

Berlin Report

BERLIN, Mar. 2 (UP).—To-day's communique states that long distance reconnaissance planes attacked two convoys off the east Scottish coast sinking one 8,000 steamer and so severely damaging five other large ships that their loss must be reckoned. Strong bomber units attack Hull, Southampton and Great Yarmouth as well as the British night raider bases. They also attacked harbour facilities in northern Scotland and ports in south and southeast England.

British raiders "with somewhat stronger forces" attacked localities in western Germany and bombed in the vicinity of Cologne; however, the military damage was "insignificant" although they destroyed some houses and killed some civilians who neglected to enter the air raid shelters.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued Saturday, says: To-day's market was quiet with little business recorded.

Buyers.
Union Ins: \$412.50
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Trams \$10.75

Sales.
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Indo-China To Cede Laos & Cambodia

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decision, and it will not be surprising to any observers here if the populations of the parts of the Protectorates involved in the transfer revolt against the French, arm themselves against Thailand armies and at the same time call on England and America for aid.

Observers believe that Japan has leaned the balance greatly in Thailand's favour in order to gain a preponderant position in Bangkok from the gratitude of the Thais for this aggrandisement of the nation at almost no cost of lives or military effort and eventually to eliminate the British from favour in Thailand at a time when Singapore is menaced.

Japanese Confirm Acceptance

SAIGON, Mar. 2 (UP).—Commander Isao Yasumura, liaison officer between the Thais and the French, told the "United Press" today that "Vichy, in principle, has already accepted the Japanese proposals, and has instructed the Indo-China Government to conclude the details with Japan and Thailand, suggesting that Indo-China make an effort to lose as little as possible."

However, declared Commander Yasumura, "I warn that stubbornness might cause the French to lose still more territory."

He asserted that Indo-China would lose all of Laos west of the Mekong River, three quarters of Kampuchea province in northern Cambodia and also territory in southern Cambodia with the new border running through Battambang and Siemreap. He said that he did not know the status of Ankor.

French officials declined to believe the announcement made by Commander Yasumura until it was officially confirmed. Authoritative circles said that the territories Commander Yasumura outlined contain roughly 600,000 inhabitants, while the southern portions produce rice and fish in substantial amounts, although the northern portions are mostly jungles.

Concessions From Thailand

TOKYO, Mar. 3 (Reuter).—The morning papers generally believe that France accepted Japan's proposal in principle but requested Japan to seek concessions from Thailand.

The "Asahi" understands that Japan will carry on negotiations with France and Thailand in order to seek a complete understanding which can be accepted and that the mediation conference would be continued.

RUMANIA VOTES IN PLEBISCITE

LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Rumania's Dictator-Premier, General Antonescu, to-day held a national plebiscite throughout the country on the policy of his government, says a Bucharest message.

It is estimated that to-day 1,500,000 people recorded their votes.

Black-Out
LONDON, Mar. 2 (Reuter).—Rumania will be blacked out each night from 8.30 p.m. to 6.30 a.m. from to-night, according to a Bucharest message.

Dock Police Desertion

European Preferred Sea

Probably the first case in the Colony of a European Police Officer being charged for desertion, came up for hearing before Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistracy this morning when Berthel Alexander Mackenzie, 24, of No. 27 Lock Road, first floor, Kowloon, was charged with deserting from the Royal Naval Yard Police on October 15 last, when he was on a five years' engagement.

Inspector A. B. Allan of the R.N.Y.P. said that defendant failed to report for duty on the night of October 15 and was not seen since until he was apprehended on Saturday. The Inspector added that defendant had put in a notice of resignation which did not expire until the end of December last.

Free Lance
Defendant said that he was a free lance journalist and a sailor and that he intended going back to sea. He had not another job.

Mr. Lowry: Can you give any reason for your conduct?
Defendant: I did not like the Police and the conditions of service. I am a sailor by profession and I just could not settle down. I gave notice of my intention to resign.
Mr. Lowry: I do not think that what you have to say is the slightest excuse for your behaviour. You are fined \$100.

Mrs Roosevelt Withdraws

Spanish Refugee Aid

Mrs Franklin D. Roosevelt has withdrawn her sponsorship of the American Rescue Ship Mission because "since giving my name I have found out that the committee is not under good auspices." The mission was organised to raise \$300,000 to bring Spanish refugees from France to Mexico.

The resignation of John Haynes Holmes, pastor of Community Church, preceded Mrs Roosevelt's withdrawal from the organisation. He charged in his resignation that the Communist Party was in control of the group and was using it to further interests of the party and of the USSR. Both Dr Holmes and Mrs Roosevelt sponsored the mission at the request of Helen Keller, noted blind writer.

Mrs Marie Coleman, secretary of the Washington committee of the mission, said Mrs Roosevelt withdrew on the grounds that other organisations performed the same services. She denied there was any Communist influence in the committee's leadership.

German Ultimatum To Greece Reported

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according to usually reliable quarters.

These sources point out that the German occupation of Bulgaria has created a profound change in the Balkans situation, and is almost certain to mean an early finish of the Greek-Italian war.

This would mean that Yugoslavia would be left surrounded by Axis countries or countries in the Axis orbit. Yugoslavia would thus immediately be faced with the necessity of reconsidering her past policy of watchful neutrality and freedom of action.

The chief motive behind such a probable change in foreign policy is in respect to territorial revisionism, with Bulgaria having the best of the bargain as she has climbed on to the bandwagon sooner.

LATE NEWS

Nightsoil Scheme To Be Discussed

With reference to the undertaking given by the Colonial Secretary in his speech at Legislative Council on Thursday, February 20, to the effect that the proposed scheme for nightsoil removal would be discussed by Finance Committee with the Health Authorities at an early date, Honourable Members are notified that a special meeting of Finance Committee will be held for this purpose after Legislative Council on Thursday, March 6.

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